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Bombs destroy armoured vehicles

Serbs halted as Rose calls in jets again

FROM TIM JUDAH IN BELGRADE, JOEL BRAND IN SARAJEVO AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

NATO jets bombed Bosnian Serb forces for the second day running yesterday as Serb gunners renewed their attack on the Muslim "safe haven" of Gorazde. A tank and two personnel carriers were destroyed, halting an armoured advance on the town, after the British UN commander called for air support.

Lieutenant General Sir Michael Rose had turned to Nato again as the Serbs ignored Sunday's air strikes and carried on pounding the town with artillery and tank shells. UN protection force chiefs repeatedly warned Serb commanders to cease firing and Nato warplanes buzzed Serb positions, but the bombardment continued and by the time the American F18A jets struck at about 2.15 pm, eight shells a minute were landing on targets in Gorazde.

Within an hour and a half of the attack, the Serb gunfire had abated and senior UN officials said last night: "It is now calm, with sporadic shelling well outside the city."

The official rejected reports from fellow UN workers in Sarajevo that the firing had intensified after the Nato raid. "The firing slowed down, picked up briefly once again and then stopped," he said. A Sarajevo radio reporter said that attack had prevented a Serb tank column breaking through Gorazde defence lines. "The tanks were on the eastern entrace and Nato intervention saved the town," he said. "They destroyed two armoured personnel carriers and a tank. There were five more tanks and a lot of infantry, supported by mortars and artillery fire."

The Nato attack was swiftly condemned by Russia, which complained that it had not been consulted, and the Serbs broke off relations with Unprofor, cancelling a meeting between Radovan Karadzic and the American envoy Charles Redman. But President Clinton, John Major and the leaders of the UN and Nato all insisted that the raid had been fully justified under existing UN resolutions to protect designated safe havens. Mr Clinton and his Secretary of State, Warren Christopher, made clear that Nato would not hesitate to strike again if necessary to protect its forces.

As President Yeltsin protested to Mr Clinton, Andrei Kozyrev, the Russian Foreign Minister, gave a warning that the West was in danger of escalating the war, saying: "The world could be dragged into an extremely dangerous series of exchanges of strikes. Air strikes could bring not an end to war, but its escalation."

The Russian ambassador to the UN also protested about the lack of consultation when he told the security council yesterday that his country wanted the UN to take over Gorazde and to disarm the Muslims. But he was given an unsympathetic hearing by fellow council members, who agreed that the correct procedure had been followed.

In Pale, headquarters of the Bosnian Serb leadership, the Russian envoy Vitaly Churkin, said: "Things went terribly wrong in Gorazde. We are very much concerned that we may be on a slippery slope in terms of international involvement in the fighting."

Mr Churkin later met the Serbian president Slobovan Milosevic, who reacted with fury to the air raids. "By intervening with its air force, the UN has undoubtedly taken part in the civil war on the side of the Muslims," he said. The Muslims had exploited Gorazde's safe haven status as a bridgehead for an offensive against the Serb positions.

A cabinet meeting in the Serb-dominated rump Yugoslavia also accused the UN of warmongering, saying: "Only when the Muslim military spring offensive was defeated did the UN remember that Gorazde was a protected zone and called on Nato bombers to act against the Serb side."

The deputy Prime Minister was sent to Pale and Serb leaders were said last night to be reviewing their approach. A senior source close to Mr Milosevic noted that British troops had guided in the air raids from within Gorazde. "This means that they participated in the aggression on the Serbian people, so we will bear this in mind. We will no longer have the confidence in the British soldiers that we had." British troops with the UN in Bosnia-Herzegovina were last night on red alert in case they became a target.

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JACKY NAEGELEN

Vladimir Zhirinovsky hurling a plant yesterday from the Russian consulate in Strasbourg at student protesters

Zhirinovsky attacks Jewish students

BY MICHAEL BINYON
DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

THE French government came under strong pressure last night to expel Vladimir Zhirinovsky, the extremist Russian nationalist leader, after he spat, shouted abuse and threw plants and gravel at Jewish students protesting over his visit to the Council of Europe in Strasbourg.

Mr Zhirinovsky screamed in French at about 100 demonstrators in Strasbourg: "I'll break your heads." He spat in the faces of some of them and threw earth from the gardens of the Russian consulate. His behaviour is a clear violation of the terms on which he was granted a visa to France. He was ordered not to make inflammatory remarks, and the expected outcry may force the French to expel him.

There is a strong suspicion that this is exactly what Mr Zhirinovsky is hoping for, to strengthen his appeal to nationalists at home.

Mr Zhirinovsky also called on Russia to bomb Nato bases in Italy in retaliation for the Gorazde air strikes.

Lib Dems may outdo Tories in Euro poll

BY PETER RIDDELL AND PHILIP WEBSTER

THE Tory Party may have fewer seats than the Liberal Democrats after the June 9 elections for the European Parliament, the most critical test of John Major's leadership since the last general election in 1992.

Labour is likely to be the runaway winner of the election, possibly capturing three-quarters of the seats, according to MORI's latest analysis for *The Times* of its aggregate political polls for the first quarter of the year.

It is an alarming prospect for Mr Major, who yesterday put himself at the forefront of his party's campaign for the local elections on May 5.

On a visit to Birmingham, one of the main political battlegrounds, he voiced confidence about his own future. But the MORI poll is bad news for Mr Major and his advisers, however much they try to discount the likelihood of big losses on June 9.

Such an outcome, particularly if the Liberal Democrats won more seats than the Tories, would frighten Tory MPs and trigger another, perhaps fatal, wave of leadership speculation.

The latest polls suggest that Labour may win 66 of the 84 seats, capturing several Tory strongholds in the Home Counties and East Anglia. If national poll trends are repeated across the country on June 9, the Tories may win 15 seats and the Liberal Democrats three in the far South West.

There have, however, been big regional variations, with the Liberal Democrats concentrating much of their improvement in the South and West. If the regional change in votes since the 1992 election is taken into account, the Tories could win only eight seats, behind

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Howard gets tough on video access

BY PHILIP WEBSTER AND ALEXANDRA FREAN

HARSH penalties for shops which distribute unsuitable videos to children are to be unveiled by Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, today in a last minute attempt to avert a defeat for the Government on the day the Commons returns after the Easter recess.

The Home Secretary is also expected to announce agreement with the British Board of Film Classification for some tightening of the rules surrounding the granting of certificates to violent videos, after talks yesterday with James Ferman, the board's director. The board is expected to make greater used of its powers to ban violent videos and to insist on cuts before they are granted a certificate. Mr Howard is expected to say that the £5,000 penalty on a shop that supplies restricted films to underage children and the £20,000 fine for supplying unclassified videos to young children will be increased. He will also say he is trying to change the rules to make it simpler for trading standards officers to pursue the distributors of illegal uncensored videos.

Mr Ferman also announced the introduction of a "12" classification for videos to designate films unsuitable for children aged under 12. The classification already exists for cinema films.

There was no guarantee last night that the measures would be enough to satisfy the large number of MPs from all parties who are backing an amendment by David Alton, the Liberal Democrat MP, to the Criminal Justice Bill that would effectively outlaw home

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Ark Royal is terror target

A left-wing Greek terrorist group failed in an attempt to attack the aircraft carrier *HMS Ark Royal* in Piraeus harbour. After the carrier left the port yesterday, two rockets and plastic launching tubes were found in a disused timber warehouse. A caller claiming to represent the group told a radio station that a poor electronic connection was probably the cause of the failure of the ignition device. British companies and educational institutions in Greece have been told to increase security Page 10

US rugby women beat Swedes 110-0

The women's world rugby union championship, which is being held in Scotland, opened yesterday with the United States, the holders, thrashing Sweden 111-0 at Galashiels. England, the joint favourites, also started impressively, by beating Russia 66-0. Both sides provided a feast of handling skills to get the tournament off to a flying start Page 44

Breast cancer surgery risk 'higher in some hospitals'

BY JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

DEATHS of breast cancer patients after surgery are six times higher for some surgeons than others but the reasons are not being investigated because hospital managers fear confrontation with doctors, a leading health service researcher said yesterday.

Surgeons who operate on at least 50 breast cancer patients a year have better skills and lower complication rates than those who operate on only a few. GPs and health authority purchasers, however, have no way of finding out how many operations surgeons perform, John Yates of the University of Birmingham, an expert on hospital performance and former adviser to the health department, said.

Five surgical teams from different hospitals who had performed 449 breast cancer operations had a death rate of 3.3 per cent compared with five teams who had performed only 24 operations and had a death rate of 21 per cent. "Some surgeons are averaging only five breast cancer patients a year. What do they think it is — a hobby?" Mr Yates asked.

Speaking at a conference on league tables for health care organised by the Royal Society of Medicine, Mr Yates, director of Inter-Authority Comparisons and Consultancy, an NHS-run management consultancy, said information which allowed the performance of hospitals and surgeons to be compared had been available for 30 years but had never been used. His own study of 128 surgical teams, one in ten of those in England, had found death rates following all types of surgery varying from 1 per cent to more than 6 per cent.

"I am not prepared to let my wife and family be treated by a surgeon whose results are uncertain but look dicey," Mr Yates said.

The confidential enquiry into peri-operative deaths set up to monitor surgical standards in the mid-1980s was inadequate, he said, because it was voluntary and only a quarter of surgeons co-operated with it.

Publication of a league table of health authority death rates obtained by *The Times* a year ago has provoked a wide debate about their value. John Spiers, chairman of Brighton NHS trust, told the conference they were an essential tool for improving quality and implementing change, but Mr Yates said that publication would aggravate medical staff and hinder change.

☐ A naturally-occuring chemical found in broccoli has been found in American tests to cut breast cancer in rats.

The findings appear to confirm previous research which showed that a diet rich in vegetables such as broccoli, Brussels sprouts and cabbage lower the risk of some kinds of cancer.

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Aspinall chimpanzee maims volunteer zoo keeper

BY MICHAEL HORSNELL

A VOLUNTEER zoo worker was maimed yesterday by a chimpanzee that ripped off a child's arm five years ago. Angelica Todd, 25, had her thumb and finger bitten off while she was feeding Bustah, a 33-year-old chimpanzee, at Port Lympne Wild Animal Park founded by the millionaire casino owner John Aspinall in 1973.

Miss Todd, an experienced former employee of the zoo near Folkestone who is now a zoology student, is being treated at a hospital in East Grinstead, West Sussex, which specialises in micro-surgery. After a request by her parents, the hospital refused to disclose her condition or discuss whether attempts were made to reattach the thumb and index finger to her right hand.

The wild animal park, which is licensed under the 1981 Zoo Licensing Act, has been inspected in the past 12 months by the Environment Department. The two zoos in Kent owned by Mr Aspinall have been dogged by a series of attacks by animals on visitors and keepers, casting a shadow over the zoos' philosophy of treating captive animals, in Mr Aspinall's words, as "honoured guests". Some think the animal-friendly ethos has led to a too-relaxed approach. A young woman was attacked by wolves at Port Lympne in 1977 after entering a cage without permission. In 1980 a tigress killed two keepers at Howletts zoo, near Canterbury. Four years later a young keeper at Port Lympne was crushed to death by an elephant. Last August Louise Aspinall, the owner's daughter-in-law, was bitten by a tiger cub.

Five years ago Matthew McDaid, aged two, of New Eltham, south London, lost his left arm when he put it through the bars of Bustah's cage to stroke him after getting into a private area of the zoo.

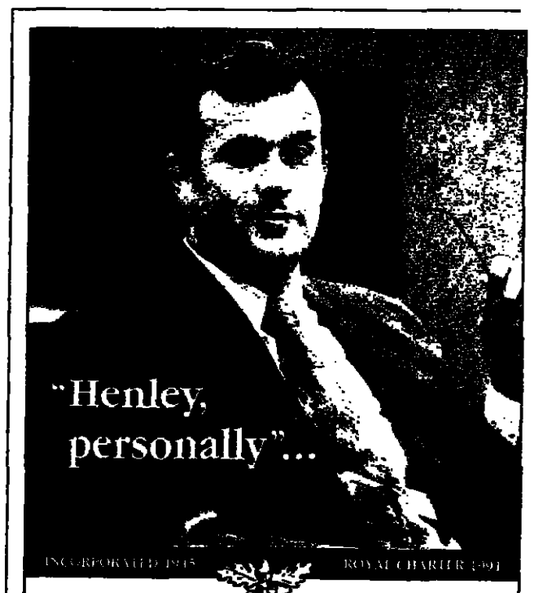
Mike Lockyer, the zoological director at Port Lympne, said that Bustah was not to blame would not be put down. The chimpanzee is due to be exported to a wildlife centre at Kraaifontein, South Africa, in the next few days to spend the rest of his life in retirement.

Mr Lockyer said that male chimpanzees of Bustah's age were considered to be dangerous. "They have got to be treated with great care and respect."

The RSPCA said: "Chimps are deceiving. They are very very strong, and are capable of tearing flesh and pulling off limbs. People tend to think of chimps as cuddly little creatures in television tea adverts."

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Appeal by broker in Iran arms fraud case

By Christopher Elliott and Linda Mack

A FORMER Lloyd's insurance broker begins a High Court battle this morning to clear his name after his conviction in 1988 over an alleged £18 million fraud involving the sale of 5,000 TOW missiles to Iran.

William Harper, who was also a Territorial Army major, is seeking leave to appeal against his conviction for issuing certificates of insurance verifying the existence of missiles the prosecution claimed were bogus.

He was one of three men convicted. Two others were acquitted in a trial which has parallels with the Matrix Churchill case in that one of the two, Mr John Taylor, a businessman and arms dealer, was an MI6 agent.

The judge was told but this information was witheld from the jury.

Mr Taylor was acquitted but three associates — Lt Col Eric Matson, Mr Harper and Michael Aspin — were convicted and served sentences of between two and six years. A fifth defendant, Keith Flatman, a solicitor, was acquitted on the orders of a judge as having no case to answer. All five had denied conspiring to obtain property by deception.

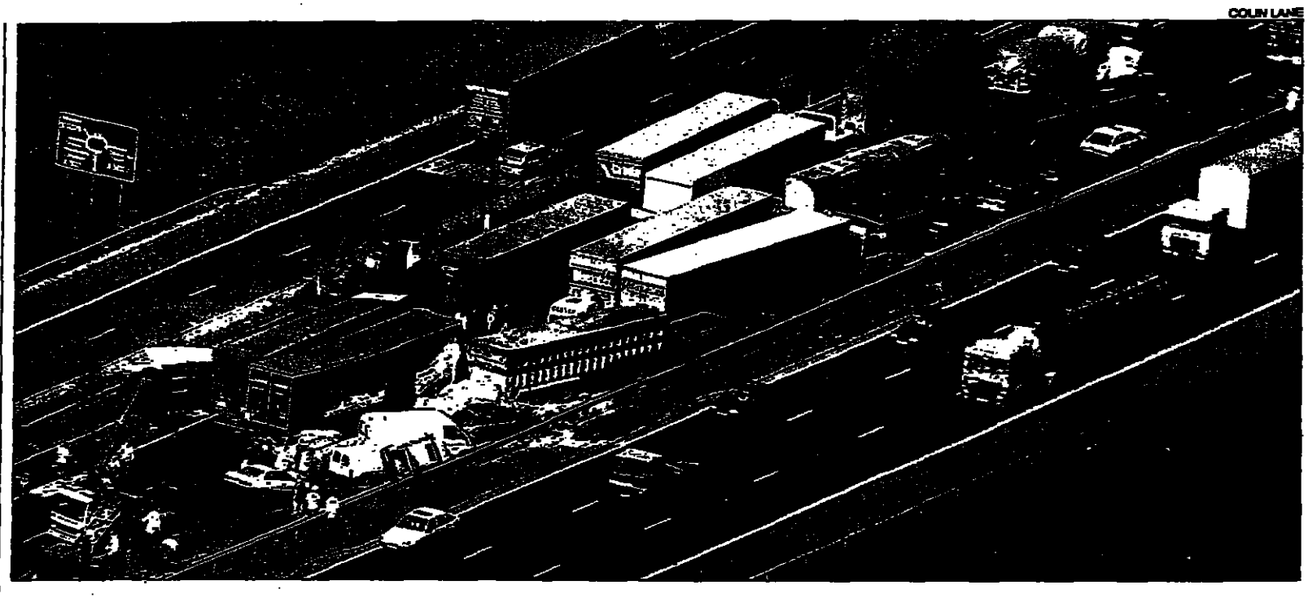
At their trial Taylor, Matson, Harper and Aspin were accused of having fabricated an alleged involvement with Oliver North, the American military commander questioned by Congress over the Irangate affair.

The prosecution said the deal fell through because there had never been any missiles to sell and that the operation was a simple fraud. Lt Col North was accused of having initiated the deal in an effort to improve relations with Iran.

The deal fell through, the men claimed, because Lt Col North backed away from it. But the jury was not told that Mr Taylor, now aged 60, an MI6 agent for 10 years, had been told by his handler to proceed.

This is similar to the case of Mr Paul Henderson, the former managing director of Matrix Churchill, who was cleared of illegally exporting defence equipment to Iraq after documents that the Government tried to suppress revealed his work for MI6.

COLIN LANE



The scene on the M6 near Sandbach in Cheshire yesterday — one of several pile-ups in thick fog on the motorway — in which two people were killed and at least two more seriously injured.

"Twenty to 30 vehicles were involved. There were two fatalities and two seriously injured," Staffordshire police said. A fleet of ambulances ferried people injured in the crash, which happened in freezing fog, to North Staffordshire Royal Infirmary at Stoke-on-Trent.

The Sandbach crash was the first of several in Cheshire, and soon afterwards there was a second nearby on the opposite carriageway. There was then a string of accidents between Sandbach services and Barthomley. Police said one lane on the northbound carriageway, where the accident happened, was still open but were advising drivers to use other routes where possible. Traffic on the southbound carriageway was described as normal.

At the height of the incident, about 120 damaged vehicles littered a mile-long stretch of motorway, police said. One seriously injured person was taken to the trauma unit at the North Staffordshire Royal Infirmary. Sixteen ambulance crews worked to ferry 20 others with less serious injuries to hospital.

The trouble, at Junction 16, began at around 9.30am when the motorway was still busy with commuter traffic.

Judges force Howard into another justice Bill retreat

By Richard Ford, Home Correspondent

MICHAEL Howard last night backed down over a key part of his proposal to modify a suspect's right to silence after opposition from the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Taylor of Gosforth, and other senior judges.

The Home Secretary was pushed into another retreat on his plans to overhaul the criminal justice system after Lord Taylor said he was "seriously troubled" by some of the detail surrounding curbs on the right to silence.

As a result of the concession given to the Lord Chief Justice, judges and magistrates will no longer be required to call upon a defendant to enter the witness box even if he has chosen to remain silent.

Instead, they will have to satisfy themselves only that the court, jury and accused are aware that failure to give evidence will enable the court or jury to draw inferences of guilt. A Home Office spokesman said the change was to the procedure the court must follow to ensure that the defendant was aware of the risk.

Mr Howard is also facing pressure to climb down over another part of the proposal, which would allow juries and magistrates to draw inferences of guilt from a defendant's failure to answer police questions from the moment of arrest.

Alan Michael, a Labour home affairs spokesman, said: "Mr Howard has given this concession to the Lord Chief Justice to save the Government from yet another defeat in the Lords. He can either concede gracefully on the other area of concern or face defeat at the hands of the Lords."

The latest climbdown was disclosed in an amendment tabled by Mr Howard to the Criminal Justice and Public Order Bill, which today begins its report stage in the Commons. The Home Secretary had held discussions with the Lord Chief Justice after it became clear that his unhappiness threatened a potential rebellion and defeat on the issue in the House of Lords.

Lord Taylor criticised the original plan to require judges and magistrates to call suspects into the witness box as an "unnecessary piece of theatre" that tended to introduce an inquisitorial element into the judge's role.

A spokesman for the Lord Chief Justice said last night that he was aware of the form of the amendment and was happy with it.

Mr Howard's concession is likely to ensure that the Lord Chief Justice supports the principle of modifying the right to silence when it is debated by the Lords. But even with Lord Taylor's backing, the proposal is expected to face fierce opposition from peers.

Mr Howard is also under pressure from the Police Federation and Sir Ivan Lawrence, the Conservative chairman of the Home Affairs Select Committee, to change other parts of the proposed curb on the right to silence. Sir Ivan has tabled an amendment to the Bill saying courts should only be able to draw an inference if questioning occurs with a tape recorder. Under Mr Howard's proposals, juries can draw inferences of guilt form a defendant's failure to answer police questions from the moment of arrest and not just during a formal tape-recorded interview.

The Police Federation, representing 100,000 rank and file officers, believes the courts should only be allowed to draw inferences of guilt from the start of a formal interview under the rules of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act.



Brown: pledge for the young unemployed

Workbench 'university' proposed

By Philip Webster
Political Editor

A UNIVERSITY to educate millions at the workplace as the Open University has served hundreds of thousands of home students since the 1960s was proposed by Gordon Brown, the shadow Chancellor, yesterday.

He outlined action to tackle persistent unemployment, inadequate investment in skills, entrenched poverty in work and discrimination in the workplace, and a reform of the national insurance system to allow benefits to be used for training and retraining.

Mr Brown called for cuts in European interest rates and pledged a new deal for the young unemployed, with access to the highest quality of education and training; an environmental task force to combine training with community projects; job opportunities through the phased release of capital receipts to allow new building; a job-creating energy efficiency programme; and relief from National Insurance for employers taking on the long-term unemployed.

He proposed tax incentives for people who agree to undertake training and changes in the tax system to direct relief at activities that enhance national skills rather than equipment and buildings.

Mr Brown said the university for industry would use the communications revolution and Britain's media strengths, including the external services of the BBC, to sell work-based training to the developed and developing world.

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Video fines

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viewing of all videos deemed to be unsuitable for children. Sir Ivan Lawrence, one of the Conservative sponsors of the Alton amendment, said the Government had yet to show it was prepared to come forward with its own proposals to stop violent videos falling into the hands of young children.

The fate of the amendment will be determined by Labour MPs. If a substantial number support Mr Alton the Government could be defeated. Some 220 MPs, including 80 Tories, have backed it.

David Puttnam, the British film-maker, yesterday said he sympathised with the spirit of Mr Alton's amendment, but believed it was over-broadly defined and open to misinterpretation. "The one element absent from this entire debate on censorship is common sense." He said society had an absolute obligation to protect children. "If that upsets a few adults in the process, then that has to be accepted as an unfortunate byproduct."

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Poll shock for Tories

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the Liberal Democrats with ten, even though they would have a much higher share of the overall vote.

At present, the Tories hold 32 seats, Labour 45, the Scottish Nationalists one and the Liberal Democrats none, though there will be six extra seats in the June elections.

The latest poll also shows that Tory support has fallen sharply over the past year in London, even though its support has been largely unchanged nationally. This suggests that the Tories could suffer big losses in the London borough elections on May 5.

The Tories have been doing badly among middle-class groups; much worse than at the low point of their fortunes in the last Parliament in the first half of 1990.

Tory MPs returning to Westminster today are braced for two hard months of electioneering. There is little optimism about the outcome. Within 48 hours the Government will disclose whether the Eastleigh by-election, where it is facing defeat by the Liberal Democrats, will be held on May 5 or June 9. In Birmingham yesterday, as part of the Tories' aggressive local election campaign, the Prime Minister rejected accusations that a Conservative party political broadcast last week had insulted the people of the city as well as the "spending mad" Labour-controlled council.

He continued his upbeat message on the economy when addressing West Midlands businessmen. "The unmistakable conclusion from a wide range of recent economic figures is that our economy is growing rapidly," Mr Major declared. "It has been, for British industry and commerce, a difficult time but that is behind us now and the climate has changed."

Labour voiced scepticism last night about the MORI poll. "It is dangerous to predict results in individual constituencies from national polls," a spokesman said. "We do not believe it is possible to get 66 seats."

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Belfast bombers hit two wrong houses

A family of eight escaped injury after Loyalist terrorists mistakenly hurled a pipe bomb through a window of their house in west Belfast. The Ulster Freedom Fighters, who carried a similar attack on Sunday night, claimed the house was used by Joe Austin, a local Sinn Fein councillor. Ann Austin, who lives in the house and is not related to the councillor, said she had been an innocent victim.

Earlier, a couple and their eight-month-old baby escaped injury when a pipe bomb was thrown through the front window of their house in the Poleglass area of west Belfast. The UFF again claimed that the bomb was aimed at a local Sinn Fein councillor, but the couple said the wrong house had been attacked.

☐ Three young children from a family of 16 died in a fire at their home in Tarbert, Co Kerry, yesterday. Darren O'Connor, 9, Jason, 7, and Chloe, 3, died while their parents were away from the semi-detached house.

Clue to missing walker

Equipment belonging to a woman who disappeared in western Scotland nine months ago were discovered near Kyle of Lochalsh, Highland. Helen Torbet, 62, from Busby, Glasgow, was last seen receiving a lift from a bed and breakfast at Inverinate, near Kyle of Lochalsh, last July. Police said she later called the guest house to say that she would return the following week, but had not been seen since. A team of 20 police were continuing to search the area last night for further clues after the discovery of the equipment by a member of the public during the weekend.

Baggage checks change

A further move to tighten air safety was made yesterday when the Government ordered airlines to account for every item of baggage carried. The new rule, which comes into force on July 1, means that each bag loaded on to an aircraft is linked to a particular passenger. The system is known as Triple A, the "accounting and authorising" of all baggage.

Baby death mother freed

A woman whose 15-month-old son died covered in sores in a urine-soaked pram was put on probation for three years by the Old Bailey yesterday after a jury had asked for mercy. The 37-year-old mother of seven and her 44-year-old husband were convicted in February of causing the baby's death. The father was jailed for seven years.

Wreckers threatened

The two six-year-old boys who wrecked a neighbouring house are prisoners in their own homes, the mother of one said yesterday. Residents on the estate at Basingstoke, Hampshire, are said to have threatened vengeance. One boy has been attacked by older youths and a brick was thrown through the family's glass front door.

Hair row girl returns



A ten-year-old girl banned from school because her dreadlock-style hair broke rules, returned to lessons yesterday with her hair intact while governors resolve the dispute. Laura Bryan-Woolford, left, of Cowes, Isle of Wight, was sent home from Somerton middle school, Cowes, before Easter. Since then the family's car has been vandalised and a bicycle belonging to her brother sawn apart.

Chauffeur wins £7,800

A woman who telephoned her employer of eight weeks to ask for a day off after a miscarriage was sacked, she told an industrial tribunal yesterday. Harry Swor, 29, from Hounslow, west London, was awarded £7,800 after claiming sexual discrimination against Minster Cars of Kingston upon Thames, for whom she worked as a VIP chauffeur.

Patches on trial

Nicotine patches used to help smokers quit the habit may help sufferers of Tourettes's syndrome, a disease that causes abnormal behaviour and outbursts of swearing. Trials have begun at Leicester University, where it is planned to test up to 30 people over a year. Researchers believe sufferers of tardive dyskinesia, a related disorder, may also be helped.

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Courts 'wrong to force treatment on pregnant women'

BY FRANCES GIBB, LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

WOMEN have a right to refuse medical treatment in pregnancy even if that refusal puts at risk their life or that of their unborn child, the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists has decided.

In a draft paper, the college's ethics committee criticises as inappropriate any legal effort to obtain permission from judges to overrule a pregnant woman's refusal of treatment.

The paper, which has yet to be approved by the college council, says that if a woman is mentally capable of refusing treatment, doctors and health authorities should accept her wishes.

It says: "We conclude that it is inappropriate, and unlikely to be helpful or necessary, to invoke judicial intervention to overrule an informed and competent woman's refusal of a proposed medical treatment, even though her refusal might place her life and that of her foetus at risk."

The committee's decision will reopen the debate about a woman's right to turn down medical treatment and the role of the courts to override her wishes.

It comes in the wake of a highly controversial decision in October 1992, when for the first time the president of the Family Division, Sir Stephen Brown, ruled that a Caesarean section could be lawfully performed on a Nigerian woman without her consent.

The baby was lying transversely in the womb and it would have been impossible to deliver it normally. The mother, a born-again Christian who was not represented at the court hearing, objected to the operation on religious grounds.

Sir Stephen made his decision after a 22-minute hearing because of the urgency of the case. The baby died but the mother survived.

The college paper has been drawn up in an attempt to clarify the law and advise doctors. Most women want to do their utmost for their unborn child, it says. "However, occasionally conflict can arise between a mother's personal wishes and the well-being of her foetus as perceived by her professional attendants."

The woman and her doctor might disagree over what was the best course of action or the medical advice might conflict with her religious scruples.

Doctors, the paper concludes, must respect a competent pregnant woman's right to choose or refuse any particular recommended course of action while ensuring the optimum care for both mother and foetus.

The unborn child does not have a "personal legal status"; this comes only from the moment of birth, the committee says.

Where a conflict does arise, the doctor should seek help and advice from other professional colleagues and, with the patient's agreement, it may be appropriate to involve members of her family or her friends.

The draft paper was welcomed by the Association of Women Barristers, which was pleased that the college had rejected intervention by judges in pregnancy. The association hoped that the paper would deter obstetricians and midwives from attempting to use the courts to override pregnant woman's decisions in future.

"Pregnant women who fear coercion by those caring for them should take legal advice immediately," the association said.

It added: "Pregnant woman on our association's committee were deeply shocked that a judge should purport to override a competent woman's decisions in future; we believe that a number of women have been threatened with legal action in the UK to date."

The association claimed that hospitals who threatened women in childbirth with court action to make them undergo "unwanted obstetric intervention, or who take such court action, could be acting in a discriminatory manner".

Footballer who almost killed ref is jailed

BY ROBIN YOUNG

AN AMATEUR footballer who punched a referee so hard that he almost killed him was jailed for nine months yesterday. Timothy Farnham, 30, of Greenwich, southeast London, had admitted wounding Brian Kelly, 28.

Mr Kelly, of Lewisham, southeast London, whose life was saved by an emergency operation to remove a blood clot from his brain, said after the sentencing: "The way that violence on the football pitch has been growing recently, I am sure someone is going to get killed."

Croydon Crown Court was told at an earlier hearing that Mr Kelly had seen Farnham throw a punch at another player in a South London Federation division 4 match at Bexley, Kent, on October 30 last year.

The referee warned Farnham he would not permit violence and raised his red card. Farnham swore at Mr Kelly and struck him on the head with his fist so hard that spectators said they heard the blow 70ft away. Mr Kelly suffered brain damage, from which he has still not fully recovered.

After the hearing, Mr Kelly said he feared for other referees. "We get paid about £15 a game to do it, but we mainly referee for fun. I really do not know whether I will referee a game again."

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Brian Kelly, still bearing marks from the blow, in his referee's kit yesterday

Nurse is suspended in sabotage enquiry

BY JEREMY LAURANCE
HEALTH SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

SIXTEEN incidents in which medical equipment may have been sabotaged have been identified by detectives after the deaths of two hospital patients, police said yesterday.

One nurse has already been suspended over allegations of tampering with life-support ventilators in the intensive care unit of Bassetlaw District General Hospital, Nottinghamshire. Detectives were called in after a month-long internal enquiry by a management team.

Det Supt Peter Coles told a news conference yesterday that 40 hospital staff had been interviewed. "The nature of the investigation means that it will continue for some considerable time yet."

The 16 incidents involved five different patients. Two had died, but he said it was impossible to say if these were the result of tampering.

"We will have to wait until the end of the enquiry when the information will be passed on to a medical investigation team that will examine the effects of the incidents on the patients involved," he said.

The same Trent Regional Health Authority was involved in the case of Beverley Allitt, the nurse who murdered four children at the Grantham General Hospital, Lincolnshire. She has received treatment at Bassetlaw Hospital while detained at Rampton top security hospital.

Good samaritan killed by mistake

BY ROBIN YOUNG

A GOOD samaritan's devotion to helping people in need cost him his life, a judge at the Central Criminal Court was told yesterday.

Nicholas Stanley, 30, a housing support officer for the YMCA, was stabbed through the heart by an alcoholic woman he had comforted in hospital only a few hours earlier, James Curtis QC, for the prosecution, said.

Heather Key, 25, who lived at a Christian fellowship hostel in Guildford, Surrey, run by Mr Stanley's wife, admitted manslaughter. Her plea of not guilty to murder was accepted.

The court was told that the attack happened after Key and her fiancé, Melvyn Rees, who had met in an alcohol detoxification centre, had been celebrating her birthday and holding a house-warming party at the flat that Mr Stanley had helped Mr Rees to find.

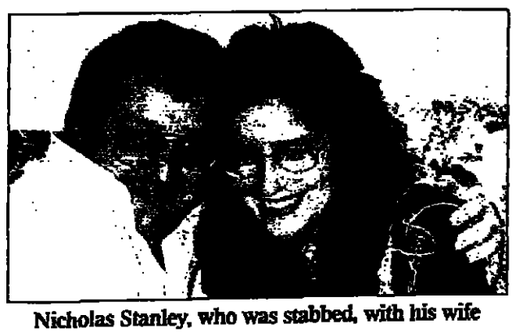
After an argument Key cut her wrist, Mr Curtis said. She telephoned Mr Stanley who took her to hospital. Key, who had been drinking cider all day, later returned to Mr Rees's flat and waited for him "in a deadly mood". But Mr Stanley walked into the flat first and was stabbed in the chest.

Not realising how badly injured he was, he told Mr Rees: "That is one lethal woman you have got in there." He died shortly afterwards.

Mr Curtis described Mr Stanley as a quiet, helpful and conscientious man who had a mission in life to help people.

Mr Stanley's wife, Gillaine, who still works at the Christian Alliance in Guildford, holds no grudge against her husband's killer. "Forgiveness is the only way," she said outside court. "I do not think she meant to kill Nick, or anyone would have meant to."

Judge Hawkins QC remanded Key in custody for psychiatric reports. He warned her that she faced a possible life sentence.



Nicholas Stanley, who was stabbed, with his wife

Gloucester body search switches to new site

BY A STAFF REPORTER

THE death toll in the Gloucester "house of horror" enquiry rose to ten yesterday when Professor Bernard Knight, the Home Office pathologist, confirmed that remains found in a field were those of a woman.

The remains were found in Letterbox Field at Kempley, on the Gloucestershire-Herefordshire border, by police investigating the discovery of nine bodies at 25 Cromwell Street, Gloucester.

Prof Knight said: "The remains are human, and it is a female. We have a lot more work to do before we can establish an age."

Police have been digging for two weeks in the field, a mile from Much Marcle, where the builder Frederick West grew up and where he and his first wife, Catherine "Rena" Costello, began their married life. Police said they would switch their search for bodies to a new rural location.

Mr West, 52, whose home is at 25 Cromwell Street, has been charged with murdering nine young women and girls, including his 16-year-old daughter Heather, over a 14-year period. He is due to appear before Gloucester magistrates again on May 5.

Despite a national appeal, police have failed to trace Mrs Costello, who was thought to have returned to her native Lanarkshire in the 1970s. The couple's daughter Charmaine vanished in 1977.

Too polite 'robber' ignored

BY ROBIN YOUNG

A TIMID, well-spoken man with a high-voltage stun gun twice failed to hold up people leaving a building society, a court was told yesterday.

Stacey Main, 30, a clerk leaving with £5,000 cash, ignored the would-be robber's threat to electrocute him. David Christian, 24, was alleged to have said: "Oh alright then. You cannot blame me for trying," when Mr Main walked past him.

He then stopped Tony Bennett, the Old Bailey was told, saying: "I've just seen you coming out. I'll try and be positive and hope you were taking cash out. I've got a gun that will blow you away."

Mr Bennett replied: "Actually I was paying some money in," and Mr Christian allegedly replied: "OK, because you've been truthful, you haven't been hurt."

Mr Christian, a fitter, of New Cross, southeast London, denies attempted robbery and possessing a firearm last September.

JP in voucher fraud used stars' names

BY A STAFF REPORTER

A MAGISTRATE was jailed for three years yesterday for cashing stolen disability benefit vouchers worth £150,000 in the names of rock singers, film stars and the Prime Minister.

Nam Dev Bagla, who is also a Birmingham city Labour councillor, filled in names including J. Major, M. Jagger and S. Stallone on the vouchers, the jury at Wolverhampton Crown Court was told. He shared the proceeds with the thieves and then blamed his wife.

The vouchers, processed through his sub post office at Dudley, West Midlands, came from a haul worth £2 million stolen in Birmingham. Philip Bown, for the prosecution, said investigators who raided the post office found that the stolen vouchers were from 456 different books. They were made out to a string of names which included T. Rex, Y. Brynner and A. Snake.

Sentencing Bagla, 37, of Handsworth, Birmingham, Judge Hodson described him as the prime mover in the fraud who had betrayed the trust that had been placed in him.

Bagla, who has now left his wife, was convicted of conspiring with others to steal the money from the Department of Social Security and the Post Office. He had denied the charge.

His wife Davinder Kaur Bagla, 36, was jailed for a year after admitting a similar offence.

The court heard that Bagla and his wife processed the stolen vouchers through their sub post office over a period of 11 months. Mr Bown told the jury: "As many as 108 stolen vouchers were cashed at the post office in a week ... The money was bound for Mr Bagla's pocket and Mrs Bagla's handbag."

During the trial, Bagla claimed that he did not know what was going on because he was busy as a magistrate sitting in court, and as a councillor.

Murray Creed, for Mrs Bagla, said his client was a timid person who had been



"Unlike me, my Rolex never needs a rest."

Wherever his travels may take him, Placido Domingo takes a series of green bound books. Into these he writes his engagements three years ahead; such are the demands of the major Opera Houses of the world on the man acclaimed as possibly the greatest living tenor.

Placido Domingo has committed some eighty different operatic roles to memory. He believes this daunting repertoire is necessary to attract the widest possible audience. For this is his ambition: to help more people, all over the world, enjoy and appreciate the music he loves.

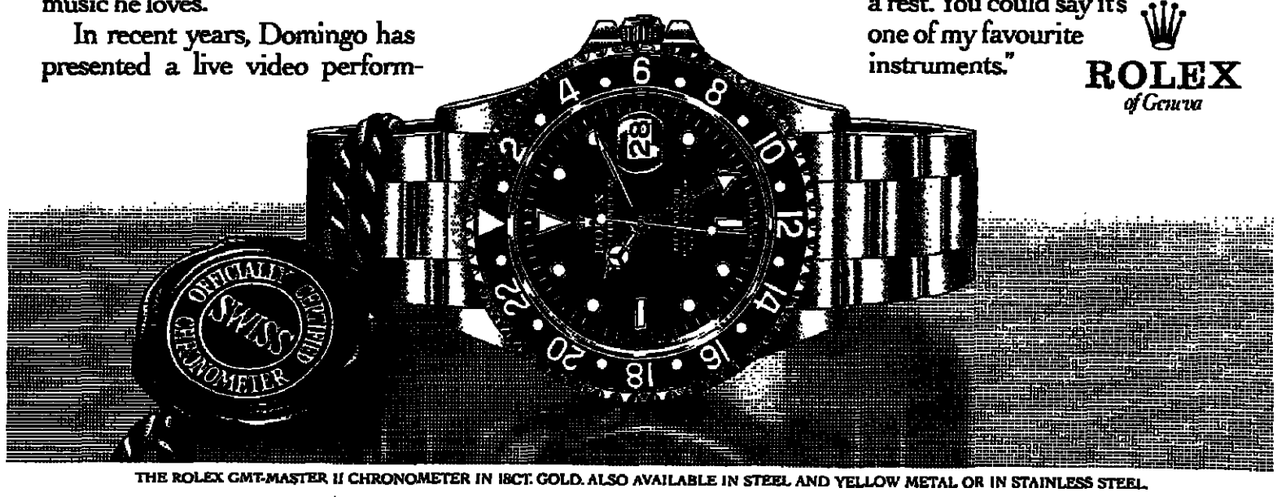
In recent years, Domingo has presented a live video performance of 'La Boheme' to an audience outside Covent Garden. He provoked a rapturous ovation in China (until then, Chinese audiences seldom even applauded). And a legendary curtain call in Barcelona lasted one hour and fifty minutes. "It would have been easier," Placido has said, "to sing the opera all over again".

Over and above this punishing schedule, Placido has sung many benefits, has been appointed President of the European Youth Opera, has appeared in films and videos, and has renewed his interest in conducting.

As a student at the Mexico City Conservatoire, this was his main study. Now Domingo can bring all the experience of his singing career to bear on his conducting. "The operatic conductor is like a Roman charioteer," he says. "He has a hundred horses on stage and a hundred horses in the pit. And he has to control them all."

To keep up with these ever-increasing demands on his time Placido Domingo, the Ambassador of Opera, relies on his Rolex. "This watch is perfect for me," he says, "because, unlike me, it never needs a rest. You could say it's one of my favourite instruments."

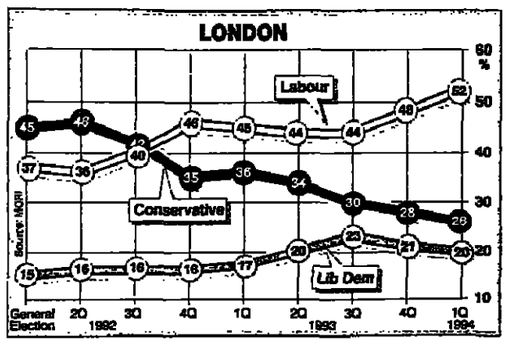
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London voters poised to defect as Conservative strength in capital deteriorates



BY PETER RIDDELL

THE Tories could suffer big loses in London in the local and European Parliament elections, according to the latest MORI analysis of voting intentions.

The projections for the capital are particularly worrying for the Tories. Their position has continued to deteriorate steadily over the past year, even though nationally the Conservative Party's share of the vote has been largely unchanged for nearly 12 months.

In London, the Tories won 45 per cent of the vote at the general election two years ago, but this has slipped to 26 per cent now. Since the second quarter of last year, the Tory share in the capital has dropped eight points.

By contrast, the Labour share has risen steadily, from 37 per cent at the general election, via 44 per cent in the second quarter last year, to 52 per cent now.

The Liberal Democrats, whose strength has always been patchy in London, have improved their rating from 15 to 20 per cent since the general election.

If these figures are repeated in the London borough elections on May 5, the Tories may lose control of some outer London boroughs which they still hold. However, local factors and levels of council tax in, for instance, Wandsworth and Westminster, could affect the outcome.

On the basis of these regional figures, the Conservative Party would lose its three remaining European Parliament seats in London: North West, South and Surrey East (though only very narrowly) and South East.

The MORI aggregate for the first quarter gives a large enough sample for London of around 1,500 to permit such detailed voting projections.

The latest figures underline how the Tory position has deteriorated more among middle class than working class groups since the general election. The Tory share has fallen from 54 to 37 per cent among the middle classes, and from 34 to 20 per cent among the working classes.

The Conservative share in the middle classes is, at 37 per cent, much lower than during the party's worst period in the last parliament in the first half of 1990, when its share only fell to just below 50 per cent. The Tories then still enjoyed a 12 to 15 percentage point lead over the Labour Party among the middle classes.

Now the two parties are level pegging. By contrast, Labour's lead in the working classes now is, at 38 points, the same as it was in the first half of 1990.

This trend is underlined by the change in voting shares since the election among those with mortgages, some 47 per cent of the population. Tory support in this group has dropped from 46 to 29 per cent.

Opinion polls predict disaster for Tories

Labour set for landslide in European elections

BY PETER RIDDELL

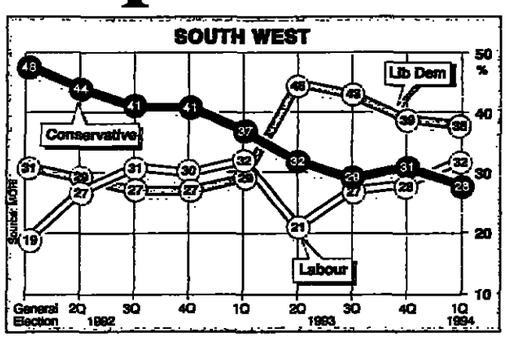
THE Labour Party could capture three-quarters of the British seats in the elections for the European Parliament on June 9, leaving the Tories and the Liberal Democrats battling for second place.

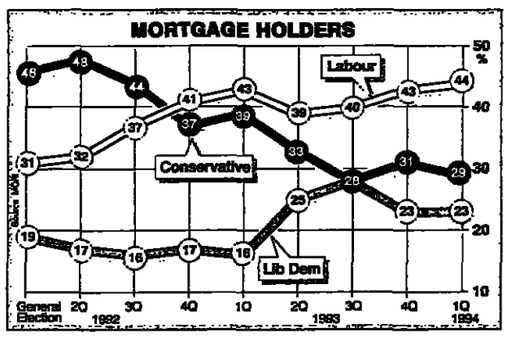
These results would be excellent for Labour, awful to disastrous for the Tories and between reasonable and a breakthrough for the Liberal Democrats. However, the margins in several seats are very narrow between all three parties and small shifts in votes could result in big changes in seats won and lost.

These findings, while tentative, will worry Tory strategists planning their campaigns for the local elections on May 5 and the Euro-elections five weeks later. The projections are based on the new MORI aggregate of voting intentions of 11,841 people over the first three months of this year. These put Labour in first place on 48 per cent followed by the Tories on 28 per cent and the Liberal Democrats on 21 per cent.

Assuming a uniform national swing of votes since the 1992 election, Labour could win 66 seats if these ratings are repeated on June 9. The Tories would be left with 15 and the Liberal Democrats with three. That is after taking account of the extra allocation of six seats to Britain. Labour now has 45 seats, the Tories 32, the Scottish Nationalists one and the Liberal Democrats none. If the national figures are broken down on a regional basis the picture becomes much worse for the Tories. This is because of large regional variations as the Liberal Democrats have concentrated much of their advance in the South West.

On the basis of regional shifts since 1992, the Tories could win only eight Euro-seats and be behind the Liberal Democrats on ten. Labour is still projected to win





66 seats. Such an outcome could induce panic among Tory MPs in previous Tory strongholds.

The first-past-the-post system exaggerates the impact of variations in votes upon seats, especially on the large European constituencies which include seven or eight Westminster seats. Labour could win three-quarters of the seats with less than half the national vote. By contrast, the Tories could win less than a tenth of the seats with nearly 30 per cent of the vote.

The sensitivity of the seat projections to small shifts in votes is shown by a comparison with the last MORI analysis three months ago. This suggested that the Tories could win 17 seats on a uniform national change in votes and 13 seats after taking account of regional variations.

The latest figures would mean five fewer seats for the Tories on the regional basis and put them behind the Liberal Democrats, even though they would have won more votes. The last monthly MORI poll at the end of March suggested that lower turnout in Euro-elections than in general elections should make little difference.

While boundary changes make comparisons difficult, Labour would gain Bedfordshire and Milton Keynes, Cotswolds, Cumbria and Lancashire North, Essex South, Herefordshire and Shropshire, Hertfordshire, Kent East, Kent West, Lancashire Central, Lincolnshire and Humberside South, London North West, London South East, Norfolk, Northamptonshire and Blaby, and Suffolk and South West Norfolk from the Tories. Labour would also win Highlands and Islands from the Scottish Nationalists, though few MPs believe this will happen.

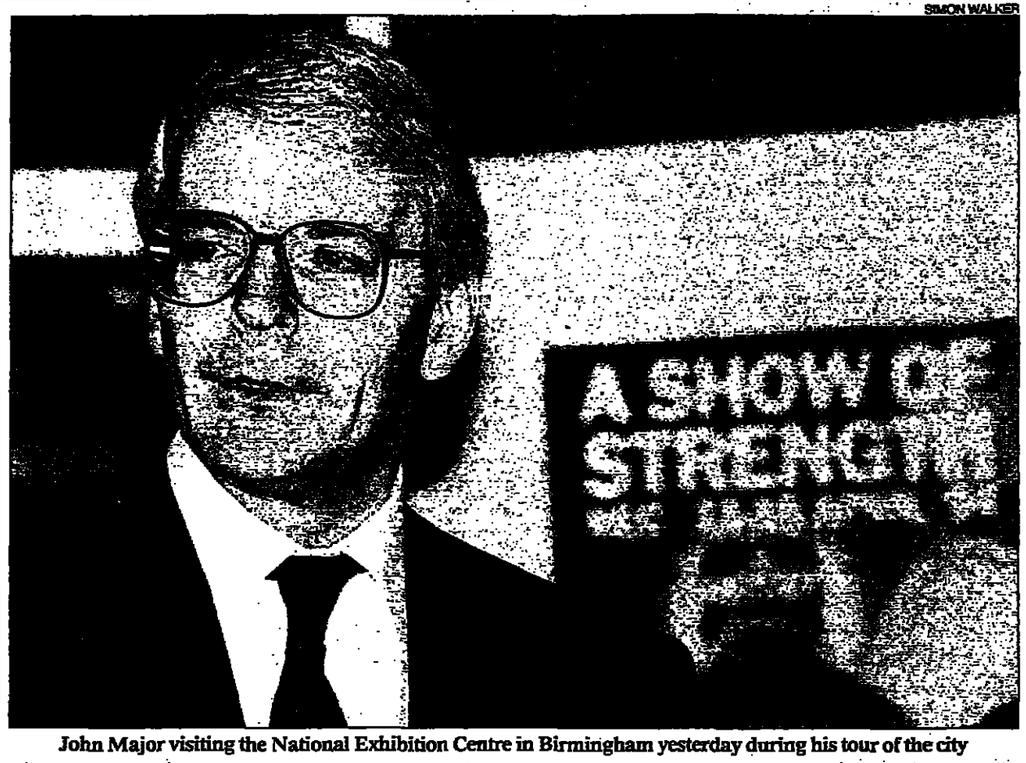
Assuming a uniform national shift, the Tories would hold London South and Surrey East, and Sussex South and Crawley, but Labour would gain both seats on the basis of regional variations. The reverse would happen with North Yorkshire, and Worcestershire and South Warwickshire. Labour would gain both on a uniform national swing, but they would be held by the Tories on the basis of regional variations.

The Liberal Democrats are projected to gain Cornwall and West Plymouth, Devon and East Plymouth, and Somerset and North Devon from the Tories on both assumptions. On the regional breakdown, the Liberal Democrats would also capture Dorset and East Devon, East Sussex and Kent South, Essex North and Suffolk South, Hampshire North and Oxfordshire, Itchen Test and Avon, Wight and Hampshire North and Wiltshire North and Bath from the Tories.

At the general election the Tories took 48 per cent of the vote in the South West, compared with 31 per cent for the Liberal Democrats and 19 per cent for Labour. The Liberal Democrat share jumped to 45 per cent in the second quarter last year. Although it has slipped to 38 per cent in the first quarter of this year, this would still give the party big gains in the region. In the first quarter, the Tory share was 28 per cent, behind Labour on 32 per cent.

□ *These figures contain the aggregate of MORI's voting intention polls over January to March. A total of 11,841 adults were interviewed. Data were weighted to match the profile of the population. Party support figures exclude those who said they would not vote (9 per cent), were undecided (7 per cent) or refused to name a party (3 per cent).*

SIMON WALKER



John Major visiting the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham yesterday during his tour of the city

Major takes the fight to Birmingham

BY EDWARD GORMAN

DESPITE the profile the Conservative Party is giving its "battle for Birmingham" in the local election campaign, few would bet on Labour losing its decade-long hold over the country's biggest local council.

Yesterday the Prime Minister himself visited the city as part of his national morale-boosting tour, and did his best to dispel the notion that London-based Tories look down their noses at the Midlands' capital.

In an interview with the *Evening Mail* — one of the most widely read local papers in the old heartland of the car industry — John Major called Birmingham a "great city" which could soon once again live up to its name as the home of 1,001 trades. His argument, he said, was with the council not the people. "It's a very bad council — that is nothing to do with the people of Birmingham being bad. They just happen to have elected a very bad council," he said.

His comments came during the spontaneous backlash in the city, and not only from Labour quarters, against a national Tory political broadcast last week which depicted Birmingham at the mercy of a profligate Labour authority, throwing money around in the manner of Liverpool.

Among examples cited in the film, made by Saatchi and Saatchi, was £250,000 spent on mobile phones for gravediggers and £400 spent on recycled paperclips. Local Tories were seen complaining that the council's £1.3 billion debt was now bigger than that of Albania.

While it may have inspired Tory workers elsewhere in the country, the film was seen by many in Birmingham as simple muck-throwing which could harm the city's steady resurgence from the trauma of recession and the efforts made to improve its image as a location for inward investment.

John James, chairman of the international committee of *City 2000*, an initiative aimed at promoting Birmingham as a location for development, described the broadcast as "very unhelpful." He said it was inevitable that the views in it will have been interpreted not just as those of the Conservative Party but of the Government of the day, and they could be very damaging to potential investors overseas.

"The reality is that this has always been a very supportive administration, of the marketing partnership and of initiatives to bring inward investment," he said. Clearly mistakes had been made in Birmingham, "but to have them magnified on national TV by the Government's own propaganda is potentially very damaging".

If the broadcast appears to have got the Tory campaign off on the wrong foot, a recent council by-election victory for Labour suggests the chances of the Conservatives gaining the four seats necessary to overturn Labour's overall control are much slimmer in practice than may appear on paper. Labour's victory in the Quinton ward last month took its majority in the 117-seat council to seven, giving the party a total of 62 seats as against the Tories' 42 and the Liberal Democrats 13. Significantly, this was the first time that Labour had beaten the Tories in Quinton, and it was national issues — the economy, the health service and Mr Major's leadership — which decided the matter.

Dr Chris Painter, lecturer in politics and public policy at the University of Central England based in Birmingham, believes the result is an accurate portent of what is to come on May 5. "Extrapolating from that, we can expect Labour to make another two to three gains, taking their majority up into double figures."

While local Tories talk and seek encouragement from the last local elections in 1992, when the party took ten seats from Labour, swept along on the tide of the unexpected general election victory, Dr Painter believes the best comparison now is with 1990 when Labour profited from the dismal Tory ratings in the national opinion polls, the crisis over the leadership at that time and the negative impact of the poll tax.

Bernard Zissman, the leader of the Tory group, admits that his hopes of 12 months ago of now being able to inflict a "thumping defeat" on Labour, have waned. Instead he talks of just getting enough votes to overturn their control, capitalising on the overspending issue.

Straw targets council tax

COUNCIL tax bills for people living under Conservative authorities are rising almost twice as fast as those in Labour controlled areas, it was claimed yesterday (Jonathan Prynn writes).

On the eve of Labour's local election campaign launch, Jack Straw, the shadow Environment Secretary, revealed new figures showing bills for Band D households increasing only 1.2 per cent this year in areas that the party controls. The rise was 2.1 per cent under the Tories and 5.7 per cent in Liberal Democrat areas.

Mr Straw said the latest figures, based on the Tory's "own chosen measure" of the council tax burden, proved that "voters get a better deal with Labour councils."

Previous Labour figures, using average council tax bills for all households, had been dismissed as "ridiculous" by John Gummer, the Environment Secretary, who has based his statistics on band D, the middle property price band on the council tax scale.

Mr Straw said 70 authorities Labour controlled had reduced their Band D council tax bills this year against only 51 councils under Tory control.

"These figures will make yet more depressing reading for Conservative Party Central Office," he said.

However, he admitted that even after this year's increases Band D households in Labour areas will still pay £94 more in council tax than those in Tory areas.

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Lib Dems step up Eastleigh pressure

BY JONATHAN PRYNN
POLITICAL REPORTER

THE Liberal Democrats are planning to step up the pressure on the Tories over the timing of the Eastleigh by-election by moving the writ for the crucial poll this week.

The Conservatives would prefer to put off the by-election until the European elections in June to minimise the Liberal Democrat bandwaggon effect if, as expected, the Tory candidate is trounced.

However, under a parliamentary convention dating back to the early 1970s, other parties are entitled to move the writ in the Commons as a safeguard against unreasonable delay.

Matthew Taylor, the Liberal Democrat election campaigns chief, said yesterday that the party may put forward a motion moving the writ today or later this week for a May 5 poll coinciding with the local elections If the government defeats the motion, the by-election could not be held this parliamentary session and would have to be put back until at least November. More likely, the Government will move an amendment simply postponing the moving of the writ.

However, it faces problems delaying the poll until the June 9 European elections because of the convention that by-election writs are moved within three months of the previous MP's death, with the poll held about three weeks after that. This would mean Eastleigh going to the polls in the second half of May at the

East Anglia stronghold under siege

BY ANDREW PIERCE

THE collapse of support for the Conservatives in East Anglia will be a particularly cruel blow for John Major.

The Prime Minister's closest supporters in the Government represent Norfolk and Suffolk constituencies. Their influence is such that they have been dubbed the "East Anglia Mafia". If, as the MORI poll suggests, Labour seizes Norfolk and Suffolk and South West Norfolk, which are in Mr Major's backyard, in the European Parliament elections, the damage to his leadership will be enormous.

Norfolk is home to John MacGregor, the Transport Secretary, Gillian Shephard, Agriculture Minister, and Richard Ryder, the Chief Whip. John Gummer, the Environment Secretary, is MP for neighbouring Suffolk Coastal. They are close allies of Mr Major, who lives in neighbouring Huntingdon.

There is little evidence that voters share the Government's hopes of an economic recovery. The latest Chamber



MacGregor: one of the "East Anglia Mafia"

of Commerce survey shows that 68 per cent of companies expect to increase output compared with 67 per cent last summer. On profitability the figure was 55 per cent, the same as last summer. Jonathan Sissons, from Coopers & Lybrand accountants in Norwich, said: "At best the recovery is patchy or fragile. Most of the employment is derived from small firms who are struggling to get back into the black."

East Anglia is to housing experts what Basildon is to psephologists. In 1988 the rise in house prices matched the Home Counties. High-tech science parks mushroomed around Cambridge. It was a natural second home to City workers. But the prices crashed 30 per cent. Negative equity is a serious impediment to economic recovery and many of the owners caught in the trap have not forgiven the Tories.

Few local Tories are under any illusions about the scale of the task in their once impregnable stronghold. The Norfolk Euro-constituency is made up of seven parliamentary constituencies: six have Tory MPs. In last May's county council elections the Tories lost control for the first time this century.

John Birkbeck, who lives in Mr Ryder's constituency, lost his seat after 23 years on the county council. He predicted a similar meltdown in June. He said: "It will be a disaster both locally and nationally for the Tories. I know many long-standing Tories who will not vote for the first time in their lives. They are disenchanted with the Tory leadership but they don't know why."

John Alston, a county councillor and former council leader, also feared the worst. "I fear that Tory voters will stay at home. It may be their way of punishing the party. It's not that they hate John Major. It's just that nobody can find any good reasons to support him. The tax rises have not helped."

In the Suffolk Euro-constituency, where five of the six parliamentary constituencies are solidly Tory, the campaign looks equally bleak for John Major. Peter Brown, deputy chairman of Waverley Conservatives and a local councillor, said: "At least until last week we could say that the Tories were tough in negotiations with the rest of Europe. The way the Prime Minister handled that issue has cost us support on both wings of the Europe divide."

There is at least one consolation for the Prime Minister. Cambridgeshire, home to Huntingdon, and Lord Archer, the novelist and Tory fund-raiser, will stay true to the Tory tradition.

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Buyer rounds up £2m ranch in record time

By Dominic Kennedy

A £2 MILLION mansion is heading for the record books after being sold in only nine hours.

El Remo, which was once owned by the record producer Mickie Most, became the ultimate impulse buy when a businessman purchased it for his wife.

At 9am, Sean Heaney, of the estate agency Statons, met the owner and prospective buyer. They went on a tour of the gleaming white ranch-style house, atypical of its surroundings in suburban Totteridge, north London.

Mr Most, who made stars of Mud, Suzi Quatro and Hot Chocolate, moved out in the 1980s and built the largest post-war house in London near by. That property is worth £4 million and has Europe's largest private pool.

The home he left has a heated pool, but it is only 48ft long. El Remo, which is set in 1½ acres, also has five bedroom suites, snooker room, gymnasium, barbecue terrace, guest lodge and staff quarters.

9.40am: The buyer is certain he wants the house. He knows that someone else has ordered a survey but has yet to make an acceptable offer. He makes his bid on the spot, and already has the finance for a deposit of more than 10 per cent. There is no chain: neither buyer nor seller has to wait for other properties to be sold.

10.40am: The two parties, both described as English businessmen, agree terms. The buyer rings his surveyor, who has been on stand-by. Solicitors are contacted. The vendor's lawyer is on holiday in Israel, but abandons the beach to handle the deal by hotel fax. Motorcycle couriers ferry documents between the law firms and their clients.

The lawyers arrange for a high-speed personal search of council planning records.

1:40pm: The surveyor makes a satisfactory verbal report after a two-hour inspection. Now everything depends on the search.

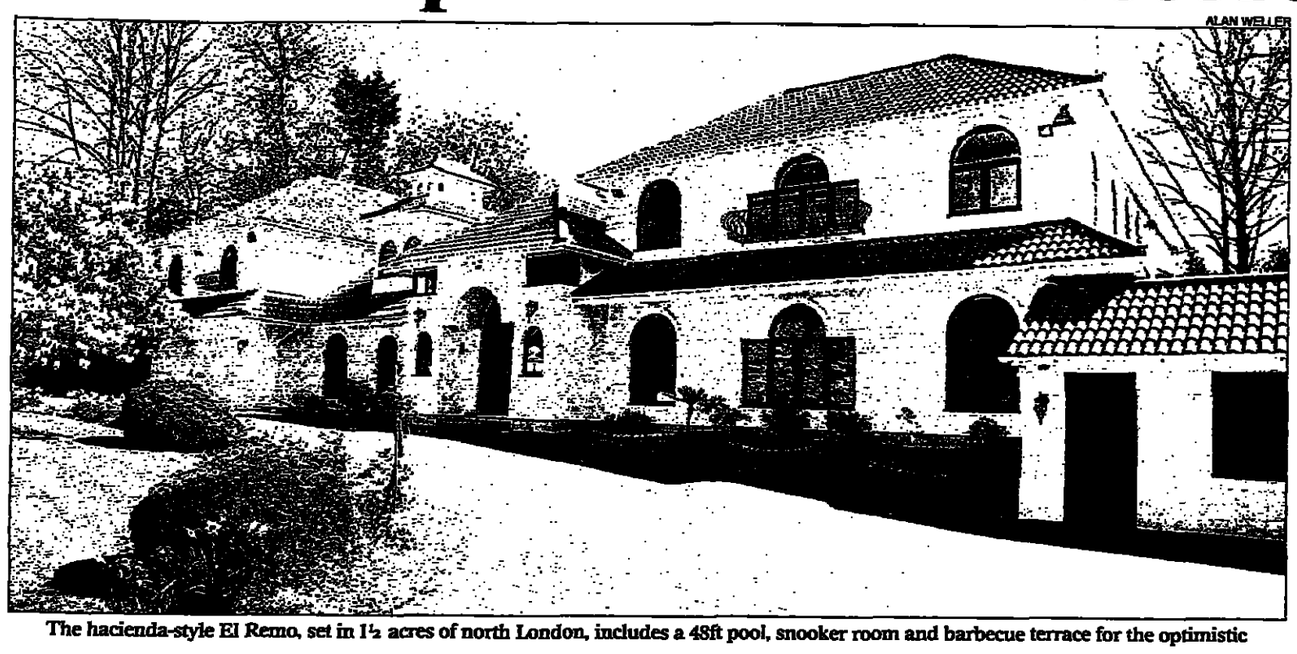
6pm: The details arrive. All is well. Contracts are exchanged.

The *Guinness Book of Records* said it would consider including the deal in a future edition. It has yet to establish a section for fastest house sale, but a spokeswoman, Elaine Roberts, said: "It sounds like it's a record."

Nick Staton, of Statons in Barnet, said: "Buying a home is less stressful only than bereavement and divorce, but this shows it can be done without the strain." A personal search costs more but is quicker than the usual three-day service offered by the local authority, Barnet Council. It involves sending an individual to inspect the council's planning records, instead of waiting for officials to do so.

A conveyancing expert described the deal as very rare. Bryan King, a solicitor and former chairman of the Law Society's land law and succession committee, said personal searches were useful in emergencies, but a formal search was less risky because it was signed and stamped by the official authorities.

ALAN WELLER



The hacienda-style El Remo, set in 1½ acres of north London, includes a 48ft pool, snooker room and barbecue terrace for the optimistic



Mickie Most: moved on to bigger things

Matrix chief in new firm

By Christopher Elliott

THE former head of Matrix Churchill, Paul Henderson, went back into business yesterday with a new partner, John Butcher MP, a former Conservative trade minister.

Mr Henderson has joined Mr Butcher — a junior minister at the DTI between 1982 and 1988 — and Peter Brasier, a merchant banker, to buy out Production Systems International, an engineering company which last year had an annual turnover of £3.5 million.

It is the first business venture undertaken by Mr Henderson since he was acquitted of illegally exporting defence equipment to Iraq 18 months ago. He is taking legal advice over a possible claim for compensation for the collapse of Matrix Churchill, as are 700 former employees.

Mr Henderson, who has known Mr Butcher for 12 years, said: "It is purely and simply a commercial venture."

Owners reluctant to rent as more homes stay empty

By Rachel Kelly, Property Correspondent

THE number of homes standing empty has almost doubled over the past ten years to nearly 870,000, according to figures published yesterday.

Research by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation shows an increase in empty private homes from 539,000 in 1983 to 764,000 now. The Government owns 15,800 empty homes and housing associations a further 17,500. The number of empty homes owned by councils has fallen from 114,000 in 1983 to 70,000 today.

Bob Lawrence, chief executive of the Empty Homes Agency, a charity which seeks to bring empty homes back into use, and co-author of the Rowntree report, said that using 10 per cent of the country's empty homes would have a significant impact on the problems of homelessness. There are about 142,000 homeless families, according to the Environment Department.

The report says that owners are reluctant to let property standing empty pending sale because they are worried about the potential problems of being a landlord. "Rent collection, selection of tenants, the risk of default or damage to the property have all been reported by owners as disincentives," the report says.

Mr Lawrence said that opportunities for unlocking these assets had never been greater. Recent legislation means landlords can more easily regain possession of property which has been let. After decades in which legislation was biased towards tenants, the 1988 Housing Act introduced the assured shorthold tenancy, which guarantees that owners can regain possession of their premises at the end of the tenancy.

Housing associations, which could use the properties to help to house the homeless, have been given more resources to repair and manage empty property.

"The performance of many local authorities has improved greatly," Mr Lawrence said. "If the least effective matched the record of the best, the position would be better still."

He urged councils to examine the amount of housing stock they owned. "Councils can and should devise empty property strategies to secure the reoccupation of long-term empty homes in both the public and private sectors."

Not only would the homeless benefit, but property owners would save money, he said. "The cost of keeping properties empty, in maintenance expenditure and deterioration, insurance and security measures, has been calculated at £30 million to £100 million for every 10,000 homes. Occupied homes generate rent which defrays these costs." In addition, council tax and standing charges in empty homes were met by the owner.

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Convictions increase for cruelty to animals

By Michael Hornsby

A RECORD number of people were convicted of cruelty to animals last year, according to figures released today. Dogs were by far the most commonly abused animals, followed by cats and horses.

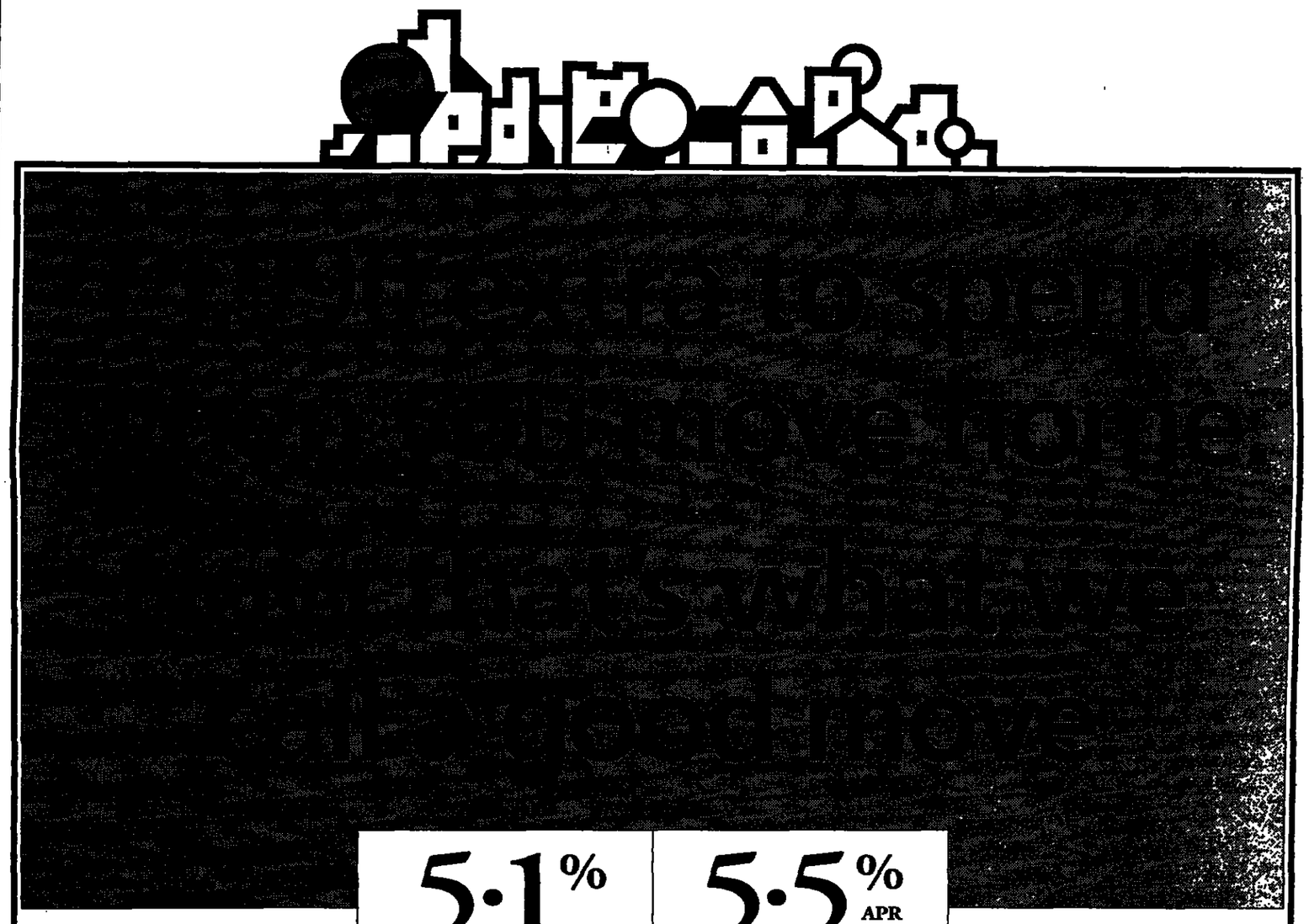
The annual report of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (RSPCA) said 3,065 people were successfully prosecuted, compared with 3,003 in 1993.

RSPCA inspectors investigated 91,176 complaints of cruelty, up from 88,632 last year, and found sufficient evidence to warrant issuing cautions in 4,458 cases.

Dogs were the victims in 1,279 of the cruelty convictions and cats in 233. The number of people found guilty of mistreating horses and donkeys rose from 81 to 128. Unemployed people accounted for 38 per cent of all cruelty convictions.

The release of the cruelty statistics came as the RSPCA's own working practices came under scrutiny after the disclosure that it had accumulated reserves worth £75 million.

Jerry Lloyd, the RSPCA's director of public relations, said there had been an unexpected increase in legacies. Much of the money was earmarked for expenditure on ten new animal homes costing £1.5 million each to build and £200,000 a year to run.



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Every run your players make and every wicket they take will count. Choose your players from the list on the right and use the First Class XI bat to record your selection. You can enter as many times as you like by telephone or by post. There are no artificial additives, no estimated salaries, no ratings, no transfer fees, just a test of knowledge and selection skill. Pick a team, and follow your progress in *The Times*, the paper for cricket.

How to play: Pick the team that you think will accumulate the most runs and wickets in the first-class cricket season. We have listed 266 players, all of whom are registered with the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB), and placed them in the following categories:

Batsmen (numbered 001-113); **all-rounders** (114-156); **wicketkeepers** (157-176) and **bowlers** (177-269).

There are also three secondary categories: **Captains** (18), one from each county; **overseas players** (16), and **rising stars** (28), promising players as selected by *The Times*.

Your team of 11 must be made up as follows: **five batsmen; one all-rounder; one wicketkeeper; four bowlers.** No other combination will be accepted and players may only be selected as categorised by *The Times*. (For example, Graeme Hick may only be chosen as an all-rounder, not as a batsman). Each player has a number which must be used when selecting him for the game.

There are three further restrictions to your selection.

1) In your XI, you must pick one — *and no more than one* — from the list of **captains**. For example, if you pick Alec Stewart (captain of Surrey), he will count as captain and batsman. You may not pick another captain, even from another playing category.

2) You must also pick one — *and no more than one* — of the players listed in the **overseas player** category.

3) You must pick one — *and no more than one* — of the players in the **rising stars** category. Your rising star may be a batsman, all-rounder, wicketkeeper or bowler.

In addition to the 11 players picked for the team, you must select one reserve for each of the primary categories (batsmen, all-rounders, wicketkeeper, bowlers). No captains, overseas players or rising stars may be selected as reserves. These reserves will only become active in the event of a first-choice player being officially declared inactive (for reasons of injury) for the rest of the season by *The Times* First Class XI panel. In that case your reserve will be automatically activated and his score from that moment will be added to the injured player's total. Only one replacement will be allowed in each of the four primary categories. A player declared inactive cannot re-enter the game. Having selected your team, you may give it a name.

How to score: Scores will be measured by the following means: **runs** (the aggregate runs scored by all 11 players); **wickets** (the wickets taken by all 11 players); **wicketkeeping dismissals** (catches and stumpings made by your wicketkeeper).

Each run will count as one point, each wicket as 20 points, each wicketkeeper's dismissal as 20 points (the last two categories will be listed under the heading, wickets). The total of runs and wickets will represent the entrant's total team score. The object of *The Times* First Class XI is to select the 11 players that will accumulate the most points in any of the competition periods.

In the event of a tie, competitors will be separated by counting the score of their reserves, the highest total winning. If that is insufficient, the score of the rising star will be decisive. If a further tie-break is necessary, the final tied competitors will be asked to pick their player of the season and explain why.

All matches deemed to be first-class by the TCCB (five, four or three days) will count, including Cornhill Insurance Test matches, Britannic Assurance county championship, University matches and Tetley Bitter Challenge (county matches v touring team matches). One-day matches will not count. At the end of each round of matches and each competition period, *The Times* will publish the list of categorised names and their updated aggregate point scores for runs and wickets.

How to enter: There are five separate competitions. First, the main competition which runs throughout the 1994 English cricket season and for which entries must be received no later than tomorrow. Then there are four short competitions covering the matches which take place between **April 13-May 23; May 24-June 27; June 29-August 8; August 10-September 19.**

Entries for the main competition (which may be made by post or by telephone) will also qualify automatically for all four short competitions. Entry details for the individual short competitions (numbers two, three and four) will be published later.

The winners will be the entrants who have the highest points scores after the last match in each competition period and their names will be published in *The Times* with the names and scores of the leading 100 entrants.

You may enter any of the competitions as many times as you like but each entry requires a separate telephone call or original entry form (photocopies will not be accepted). Telephone callers must be aged 18 or over.

Entries, whether made by telephone or mail, will be acknowledged by letter including a computer printout of your team selection and an official scorecard. Please allow 28 days for delivery.

Entering by telephone: The 24-hour telephone lines are open now and close at noon tomorrow. When you have selected your team, check what type of telephone you are using. You must have a Touch-tone (DTMF) telephone (most push-button telephones with a * and a hash key are Touch-tone) to enter. You **cannot** enter using a rotary dial or "pulse" telephone. Once you have found a Touch-tone telephone, you can enter by dialling **0891 500 181.**

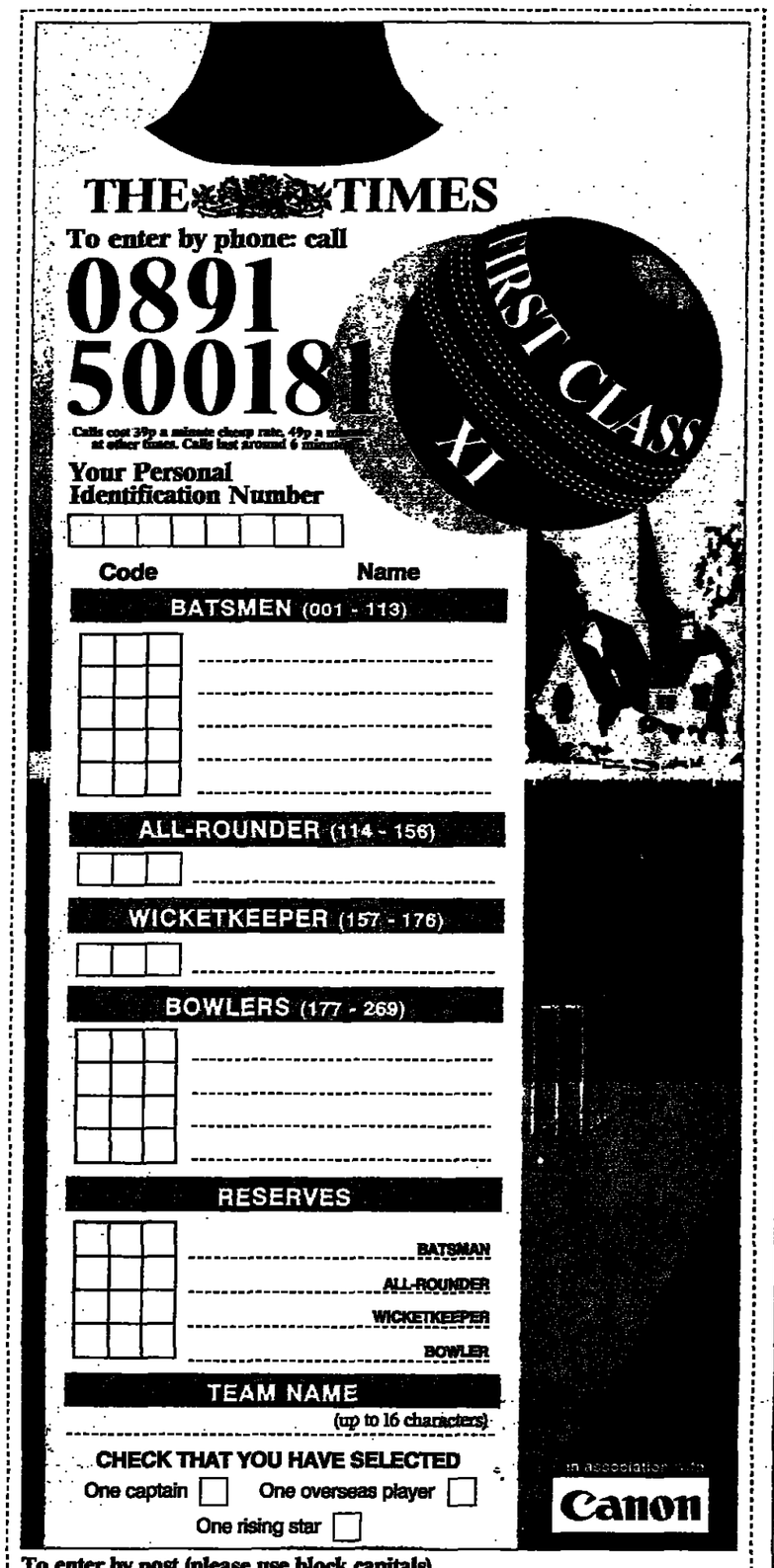
Then just follow the simple step-by-step instructions. Listen carefully and take your time. The recorded message will ask you to key in the full set of selections (player reference numbers) for each of your 11 chosen players in the following order: the five batsmen, the all-rounder, the wicketkeeper, the bowlers. You will then be asked to name your reserves (in the same order). Make sure that the numbers you give fall within the range for each category (ie batsmen, 001-113; all-rounders, 114-156; wicketkeepers, 157-176; bowlers 177-269). Make sure you have picked one captain, one overseas player and one rising star in your team. An incorrect entry will be void.

You will then be asked to give the name of your team (no more than 16 characters) and to record your name, address and daytime phone number. Finally, you will be given an eight-digit Personal Identification Number (PIN).

Entering by post: Each postal application must be made on an original entry form (no photocopies) and accompanied by two first-class stamps (which will be used to acknowledge entry). Send them to ***The Times* First Class XI, 4a Church Green, Harpenden, Hertfordshire AL5 2TP.** Entries must arrive by noon tomorrow.

Team names: Competitors may give their teams any name of up to 16 characters although if a name is considered to be in poor taste by the panel, or if that name has already been taken, the competitor's surname will be used.

***The Times* First Class XI panel:** Ray Illingworth, the new chairman of selectors, Michael Atherton, the England captain, and Alan Lee, the cricket correspondent of *The Times*, form the panel which has final authority on any issues arising.



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FIRST CLASS XI PLAYERS

Batsmen (001-113)

Pick five players and a reserve from this category

001 ..... * C J Adams (Derbyshire)
002 ..... J C Adams (Nottinghamshire)
003 ..... G F Archer (Nottinghamshire)
004 ..... Asif Din (Warwickshire)
005 ..... M A Atherton (Lancashire)
006 ..... C W J Athey (Sussex)
007 ..... R J Bailey (Northamptonshire)
008 ..... K J BARNETT (Derbyshire)
009 ..... M R BENSON (Kent)
010 ..... D J Bicknell (Surrey)
011 ..... T J Boon (Leicestershire)
012 ..... P D Bowler (Derbyshire)
013 ..... N E BRIERS (Leicestershire)
014 ..... B C Broad (Gloucestershire)
015 ..... A D Brown (Surrey)
016 ..... D Byas (Yorkshire)
017 ..... J D Carr (Middlesex)
018 ..... P A Cottey (Glamorgan)
019 ..... G R Cowdrey (Kent)
020 ..... R M F Cox (Hampshire)
021 ..... J P Crawley (Lancashire)
022 ..... M A Crawley (Nottinghamshire)
023 ..... T S CURTIS (Worcestershire)
024 ..... * J A Daley (Durham)
025 ..... * W A Dessaur (Nottinghamshire)
026 ..... D B D'Oliveira (Worcestershire)
027 ..... N H Fairbrother (Lancashire)
028 ..... N A Felton (Northamptonshire)
029 ..... N A Folland (Somerset)
030 ..... A Fordham (Northamptonshire)
031 ..... G Fowler (Durham)
032 ..... * J E R Gallian (Lancashire)
033 ..... M W GATTING (Middlesex)
034 ..... G A GOOCH (Essex)
035 ..... P Grayson (Yorkshire)
036 ..... K Greenfield (Sussex)
037 ..... J W Hall (Sussex)
038 ..... T H C Hancock (Gloucestershire)
039 ..... R J Harden (Somerset)
040 ..... A N HAYHURST (Somerset)
041 ..... D L Haynes (Middlesex)
042 ..... * D L Hemp (Glamorgan)
043 ..... S G Hinks (Gloucestershire)
044 ..... G D Hodgson (Gloucestershire)
045 ..... * A J Hollioake (Surrey)
046 ..... N Hussain (Essex)
047 ..... * S Hutton (Durham)
048 ..... R C Irani (Essex)
049 ..... S P James (Glamorgan)
050 ..... P Johnson (Nottinghamshire)
051 ..... M Keech (Hampshire)
052 ..... S A Kellett (Yorkshire)
053 ..... N V Knight (Essex)
054 ..... A J LAMB (Northamptonshire)
055 ..... M N Lathwell (Somerset)
056 ..... W Larkins (Durham)
057 ..... D A Leatherdale (Worcestershire)
058 ..... N J Lenham (Sussex)
059 ..... J J B Lewis (Essex)
060 ..... * N J Liong (Kent)
061 ..... G D Lloyd (Lancashire)
062 ..... J I Longley (Durham)
063 ..... M B Loye (Northamptonshire)
064 ..... M A Lynch (Surrey)
065 ..... M P Maynard (Glamorgan)
066 ..... A A Metcalfe (Yorkshire)
067 ..... T C Middleton (Hampshire)
068 ..... A J Moles (Warwickshire)
069 ..... T M Moody (Worcestershire)
070 ..... H MORRIS (Glamorgan)
071 ..... J E Morris (Durham)
072 ..... R S M Morris (Hampshire)
073 ..... M D MOXON (Yorkshire)
074 ..... M C J NICHOLAS (Hampshire)
075 ..... T J G O'Gorman (Derbyshire)
076 ..... D P Ostler (Warwickshire)
077 ..... * T L Penney (Warwickshire)
078 ..... P R Pollard (Nottinghamshire)
079 ..... P J Prichard (Essex)
080 ..... M R Ramprakash (Middlesex)
081 ..... J D Ratcliffe (Warwickshire)
082 ..... R B Richardson (Yorkshire)
083 ..... * D D J Robinson (Essex)
084 ..... P E Robinson (Leicestershire)
085 ..... R T ROBINSON (Nottinghamshire)
086 ..... A S Rollins (Derbyshire)
087 ..... M A Roseberry (Middlesex)
088 ..... A C H Seymour (Worcestershire)
089 ..... N Shahid (Essex)
090 ..... * B F Smith (Leicestershire)
091 ..... I Smith (Durham)
092 ..... R A Smith (Hampshire)
093 ..... N J Speak (Lancashire)
094 ..... A W Smith (Surrey)
095 ..... D M Smith (Sussex)
096 ..... M P Speight (Sussex)
097 ..... A J STEWART (Surrey)
098 ..... N R Taylor (Kent)
099 ..... V P Terry (Hampshire)
100 ..... G P Thorpe (Surrey)
101 ..... S P Titchard (Lancashire)
102 ..... * M E Trescothick (Somerset)
103 ..... R G Twose (Warwickshire)
104 ..... * M P Vaughan (Yorkshire)
105 ..... D M Ward (Surrey)
106 ..... T R Ward (Kent)
107 ..... R J Warren (Northamptonshire)
108 ..... A P WELLS (Sussex)
109 ..... C M Wells (Derbyshire)
110 ..... * W P C Weston (Worcestershire)
111 ..... J J Whitaker (Leicestershire)
112 ..... * M G N Windows (Gloucestershire)
113 ..... A J Wright (Gloucestershire)

All-rounders (114-156)

Pick one player and a reserve from this category

114 ..... M W Alleyne (Gloucestershire)
115 ..... I D Austin (Lancashire)
116 ..... P BAINBRIDGE (Durham)
117 ..... D J Capel (Northamptonshire)
118 ..... * G Chapple (Lancashire)
119 ..... D G Cork (Derbyshire)
120 ..... R D B Croft (Glamorgan)
121 ..... A C Cummins (Durham)
122 ..... K M Curran (Northamptonshire)
123 ..... A Dale (Glamorgan)
124 ..... P A J DeFreitas (Derbyshire)
125 ..... J E Emburey (Middlesex)
126 ..... K P Evans (Nottinghamshire)
127 ..... M A Feltham (Middlesex)
128 ..... M V Fleming (Kent)
129 ..... P J Hartley (Yorkshire)
130 ..... * G R Haynes (Worcestershire)
131 ..... G A Hick (Worcestershire)
132 ..... C L Hooper (Kent)
133 ..... R K Illingworth (Worcestershire)
134 ..... K D James (Hampshire)
135 ..... S R Lampitt (Worcestershire)
136 ..... R P Lefebvre (Glamorgan)
137 ..... C C Lewis (Nottinghamshire)
138 ..... G W Mike (Nottinghamshire)
139 ..... Mushtaq Ahmed (Somerset)
140 ..... P J Newport (Worcestershire)
141 ..... C Penn (Kent)
143 ..... D A REEVE (Warwickshire)
144 ..... G D Rose (Somerset)
145 ..... P V Simmons (Leicestershire)
146 ..... N M K Smith (Warwickshire)
147 ..... P A Smith (Warwickshire)
148 ..... * J N Snape (Northamptonshire)
149 ..... F D Stephenson (Sussex)
150 ..... J P Stephenson (Essex)
151 ..... C M Tolley (Worcestershire)
152 ..... Wasim Akram (Lancashire)
153 ..... M WATKINSON (Lancashire)
154 ..... V J Wells (Leicestershire)
155 ..... * P N Weekes (Middlesex)
156 ..... C White (Yorkshire)

Wicketkeepers (157-176)

Pick one player and a reserve from this category

157 ..... A N Aymes (Hampshire)
158 ..... R J Blakey (Yorkshire)
159 ..... K R Brown (Middlesex)
160 ..... N D Burns (Somerset)
161 ..... B N French (Nottinghamshire)
162 ..... M A Garnham (Essex)
163 ..... W K Hegg (Lancashire)
164 ..... G J Kersey (Surrey)
165 ..... K M Krikken (Derbyshire)
166 ..... S A Marsh (Kent)
167 ..... C P Metson (Glamorgan)
168 ..... P Moores (Sussex)
169 ..... P A Nixon (Leicestershire)
170 ..... K J Piper (Warwickshire)
171 ..... S J Rhodes (Worcestershire)
172 ..... D Ripley (Northamptonshire)
173 ..... * R J Rollins (Essex)
174 ..... R C Russell (Gloucestershire)
175 ..... C W Scott (Durham)
176 ..... R J Turner (Somerset)

Bowlers (177-269)

Pick four players and a reserve from this category

177 ..... J A Afford (Nottinghamshire)
178 ..... C E L Ambrose (Northamptonshire)
179 ..... S J W Andrew (Essex)
180 ..... A M Babington (Gloucestershire)
181 ..... M C J Ball (Gloucestershire)
182 ..... A A Barnett (Lancashire)
183 ..... S R Barwick (Glamorgan)
184 ..... S Basten (Glamorgan)
185 ..... * J D Batty (Yorkshire)
186 ..... J E Benjamin (Surrey)
187 ..... W K M Benjamin (Hampshire)
188 ..... P J Berry (Durham)
189 ..... M P Bicknell (Surrey)
191 ..... J Boiling (Surrey)
192 ..... M Broadhurst (Yorkshire)
193 ..... S J E Brown (Durham)
194 ..... M A Butcher (Surrey)
195 ..... A R Caddick (Somerset)
196 ..... J H Childs (Essex)
197 ..... C A Connor (Hampshire)
198 ..... N G B Cook (Northamptonshire)
199 ..... K E Cooper (Gloucestershire)
200 ..... A C Cottam (Northamptonshire)
201 ..... N G Cowans (Hampshire)
202 ..... R P Davis (Warwickshire)
203 ..... M A Ealham (Kent)
204 ..... R M Ellison (Kent)
205 ..... M G Field-Buss (Nottinghamshire)
206 ..... * D P J Flint (Hampshire)
207 ..... M J Foster (Yorkshire)
208 ..... A R C Fraser (Middlesex)
209 ..... O D Gibson (Glamorgan)
210 ..... * E S H Giddins (Sussex)
211 ..... D Gough (Yorkshire)
212 ..... D A Graveney (Durham)
213 ..... F A Griffith (Derbyshire)
214 ..... D W Headley (Kent)
215 ..... E E Hemmings (Sussex)
216 ..... A P Ingolesden (Kent)
217 ..... M C Ilott (Essex)
218 ..... P W Jarvis (Sussex)
219 ..... M Jean-Jacques (Hampshire)
220 ..... * R L Johnson (Middlesex)
221 ..... M S Kasprowicz (Essex)
222 ..... N M Kendrick (Surrey)
223 ..... * D R Law (Sussex)
225 ..... M J McCague (Kent)
226 ..... D E Malcolm (Derbyshire)
227 ..... N A Mallender (Somerset)
228 ..... P J Martin (Lancashire)
229 ..... R J Maru (Hampshire)
230 ..... D J Millns (Leicestershire)
231 ..... O H Mortensen (Derbyshire)
232 ..... A D Mullally (Leicestershire)
233 ..... T A Munton (Warwickshire)
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259 ..... P C R Tufnell (Middlesex)
260 ..... S D Udal (Hampshire)
261 ..... M J Vandrau (Derbyshire)
262 ..... A P Van Troost (Somerset)
263 ..... C A WALSH (Gloucestershire)
264 ..... Waqar Younis (Surrey)
265 ..... A E Warner (Derbyshire)
266 ..... S L Watkin (Glamorgan)
267 ..... N F Williams (Middlesex)
268 ..... J Wood (Durham)
269 ..... G Yates (Lancashire)

CAPITALS denote captains — Bold type denotes overseas players — * denotes rising stars

KEY TO SELECTIONS

Captains

116: P Bainbridge (all-rounder)
008: K J Barnett (batsman)
009: M R Benson (batsman)
013: N E Briers (batsman)
033: T S Curtis (batsman)
033: M W Gatting (batsman)
034: G A Gooch (batsman)
040: A N Hayhurst (batsman)
054: A J Lamb (batsman)
070: H Morris (batsman)
073: M D Moxon (batsman)
074: M C J Nicholas (batsman)
143: D A Reeve (all-rounder)
085: R T Robinson (batsman)
097: A J Stewart (batsman)
263: C A Walsh (bowler, o'seas player)
153: M Watkinson (all-rounder)
108: A P Wells (batsman)

Overseas players

002: J C Adams (batsman)
178: C E L Ambrose (bowler)
187: W K M Benjamin (bowler)
121: A C Cummins (all-rounder)
208: O D Gibson (bowler)
041: D L Haynes (batsman)
132: C L Hooper (all-rounder)
221: M S Kasprowicz (bowler)
069: T M Moody (batsman)
136: Mushtaq Ahmed (all-rounder)
082: R B Richardson (batsman)
145: P V Simmons (all-rounder)
149: F D Stephenson (all-rounder)
263: C A Walsh (bowler, captain)
264: Waqar Younis (bowler)
152: Wasim Akram (all-rounder)

Rising stars

001: C J Adams (batsman)
185: J D Batty (bowler)
118: G Chapple (all-rounder)
024: J A Daley (batsman)
025: W A Dessaur (batsman)
206: D P J Flint (bowler)
092: J E R Gallian (batsman)
210: E S H Giddins (bowler)
130: G R Haynes (all-rounder)
042: D L Hemp (batsman)
045: A J Hollioake (batsman)
047: S Hutton (batsman)
220: R L Johnson (bowler)
223: D R Law (bowler)
060: N J Liong (batsman)
240: D B Pennett (bowler)
077: T L Penney (batsman)
243: A R K Pierson (bowler)
083: D D J Robinson (batsman)
173: R J Rollins (wicketkeeper)
090: B F Smith (batsman)
148: J N Snape (all-rounder)
255: S D Thomas (bowler)
102: M Trescothick (batsman)
104: M P Vaughan (batsman)
155: P N Weekes (all-rounder)
110: W P C Weston (batsman)
112: M G N Windows (batsman)

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1. Only applications made through The Times First Class XI telephone lines or on the official entry form will be accepted and must be received by the closing date.

2. They must be received by noon tomorrow (April 13, 1994). There is no limit to the number of telephone applications any person or household may make. The 24-hour lines are open until noon tomorrow.

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BY SIMON WILDE

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When the year begins, England will be in Australia attempting to recapture the Ashes they lost in 1989. New Year's Day sees the start of the third Test match in Sydney, and England will subsequently play Tests in Adelaide (January 26-30) and Perth (February 3-7). For 11 weeks from October, England will be overseas again, making their first Test tour of South Africa for over 20 years.

In the Caribbean, Australia will be attempting once again to topple West Indies. When the countries last met in a Test series, in Australia in 1992-93, the hosts went within two runs of becoming the first team to inflict a series defeat on West Indies since 1980, and uncompromising contests are assured in Jamaica, Guyana, Trinidad, Barbados and Antigua.

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Tesco joins cut-price beer hop across the Channel

BY TIM JONES, TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

THE cross-Channel supermarket drinks war intensified yesterday when the Tesco supermarket chain confirmed that it would follow the Sainsbury lead by opening a store in Calais.

Thousands of day trippers already take advantage of special offers by the ferry companies to travel to French supermarkets and load up their cars with cut-price wine and beer.

Some travellers make the crossing by coach and pay for a lorry to follow them which they fill with cases of drink. This avoids the risk of being prosecuted for dangerously overloading their cars.

While Tesco would confirm only that it had signed a lease to open a store near the French entrance to the Channel tunnel, it did not deny a report that its store would sell only wine and beer.

Tesco spent £150 million on an 85 per cent share in the French Catteau supermarket chain last May. It is not known whether the Calais store would be named Tesco or use the Catteau logo.

The further move to provide day trippers with the opportunity of buying cut-price alcohol was condemned by the Brewers and Licenced Retailers Association, which said it would cost hundreds of jobs.

The brewers said that apart from the loss to retailers, cross-Channel shopping was costing the Government millions of pounds in lost duty.

A spokesman said: "The difference in excise duty must be equalised. It is ludicrous that British people are tempted to cross the Channel to buy at cheaper prices beer which is probably brewed in this country.

"This shows how ridiculous the current tax situation is when a British retailer goes to France to sell cheap beer to Britons."

Since European Community trade barriers were abolished last year, lower taxes have meant that drink on the Continent is cheaper. Drinkers have been allowed to bring home virtually unlimited quantities for personal consumption.

Before yesterday's announcement, Tesco had said that it expected to lose £35 million over the next 12 months because of the tax gap.

It is estimated that British travellers to Calais spend up to £500 million a year stocking up on cheap drink.

Price differences at the Sainsbury French store, with United Kingdom prices given first, are estimated at:

Sainsbury's dry white wine £1.99/£1.

Bottle of Bell's Whisky (1 litre) £14.99/£12.48.

Case of John Smith's beer (24 cans) £23.10/£16.88

Case of draught Guinness (24 cans) £26.70/£20.48.

French-brewed beer would be even cheaper.

☐ Eurotunnel announced the signing of its first retail partnerships with Boots The Chemist, W.H. Smith and Tie Rack. The companies will be opening their shops at the new UK passenger terminal at Folkestone.

Vicar is jailed for sex assaults

A VICAR who sexually assaulted boys who visited his home was jailed for four years yesterday.

Stephen Brooks, 39, vicar of St Paul's, Sketty, was told by Judge Stephens at Swansea Crown Court: "You were destined for the highest position in the church but you have caused immense harm and anguish." At the time of his arrest Brooks was to be made a canon.

Brooks attacked his victims, now aged 11 to 16, over seven years. Patrick Griffiths, for the prosecution, said he would abuse two boys simultaneously and take them to bed after their parents allowed them to stay on weekend visits.

He said that Brooks's integrity was unquestioned. "He would provide food and drink and such treatment reinforced their feelings of affection and admiration. But it also made it more difficult for them to reveal what was really happening.

"All the complainants come from excellent family backgrounds and all the parents believed their children were safe."



Bill Haley rehearsing at the Dominion Theatre in London before the first date on his 1957 British tour

Rock turns full circle 40 years on

BY ALISON ROBERTS
ARTS REPORTER

FORTY years ago today a baby-faced 29-year-old singer walked into a New York studio to record his new number. Although no one knew it, April 12, 1954, was an historic day: the track was called *Rock Around the Clock* and Bill Haley had just given birth to rock and roll.

Within two years, British parents were locking up their daughters and Haley was the unlikely leader of a new phenomenon — teenage insurrection.

Yesterday, the latest representative of teenage rebellion, Kurt Cobain lead singer of the American grunge band Nirvana, was being mourned by thousands of fans after his suicide on Friday. Two Nirvana albums jumped more than 50 places in the charts yesterday, based on Saturday's frantic buying.

Although Haley, and his group the Comets, were soon overshadowed by Elvis Presley and the Marlon Brando/James Dean clones, they are still widely credited with beginning the rock and roll culture. Haley died in 1981, from natural causes.

KEENE on CHESS

BY RAYMOND KEENE
CHESS CORRESPONDENT

Blindfold wizard

IN THE 1790s, when the great French player Andre Philidor came to London and contested three games simultaneously against amateurs — with the master having no sight of the board — it was considered a miraculous achievement by commentators of he day. It is palpably more difficult to play one blindfold game against a player of grandmaster strength. In the recently concluded tournament in Monaco 50 per cent of the games were played under blindfold conditions. In this clash Vishy Anand, the tournament winner, displays the mental mastery which enabled him to triumph.

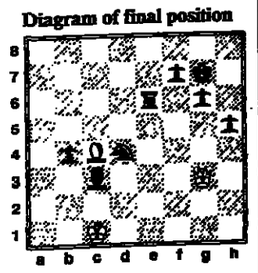
White: Zsuzsa Polgar
Black: Vishy Anand
Monaco, April 1994

Grunfeld Defence

1	d4	Nf6
2	Nf3	g6
3	c4	Bg7
4	g3	d5
5	Bg2	dxc4
6	0-0	c6
7	Qc2	b5
8	Nbd2	0-0
9	b3	cxb3
10	Qxb3	Bb7
11	a4	a6
12	Ba3	Nbd7
13	e4	Nb6
14	a5	Na4
15	Rac1	Rc8
16	Rfe1	c5
17	dxc5	Qxa5
18	c6	Rxc6
19	Rxc6	Bxc6
20	Bxe7	Re8
21	Ne5	Bd5
22	exd5	Rxe7
23	d6	Qxd2
24	Rd1	Qxd1+
25	Qxd1	Rxe5
26	d7	Nxd7
27	Qxd7	Re1+
28	Bf1	Bf8
29	Qd2	Rb1
30	Kg2	Rb2
31	Qd8	Nc5
32	Qd4	Rc2
33	Qd1	Rb2
34	Qd4	Na4
35	Qd8	Ra2
36	Qd5	Nc3
37	Qd4	Ra3
38	h4	Ne4
39	Qd8	Nc5
40	Be2	Ne6
41	Qb8	Nd4
42	Bf1	h5
43	Qd8	Ne6
44	Qb8	Kg7
45	Qe5+	Kh7
46	Kg1	Bc5
47	Bh3	Bd4
48	Qd5	Rxg3+
49	Bg2	Rg4
50	Kf1	Rxh4
51	Qd7	Rf4
52	Bd5	Rxf2+
53	Ke1	Ng5
54	Kd1	Bc3
55	Kc1	b4
56	Qd8	Rf6
57	Qg3	Ne6
58	Bc4	Kg7
59	Bxe6	Nd4
60	Bc4	Re6

White resigns

Diagram of final position



Black threatens 61 ... Re1+ and if 61 Bxe6 then 61 ... Ne2+ follows.

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TBV Power Limited: Barry CHP Project

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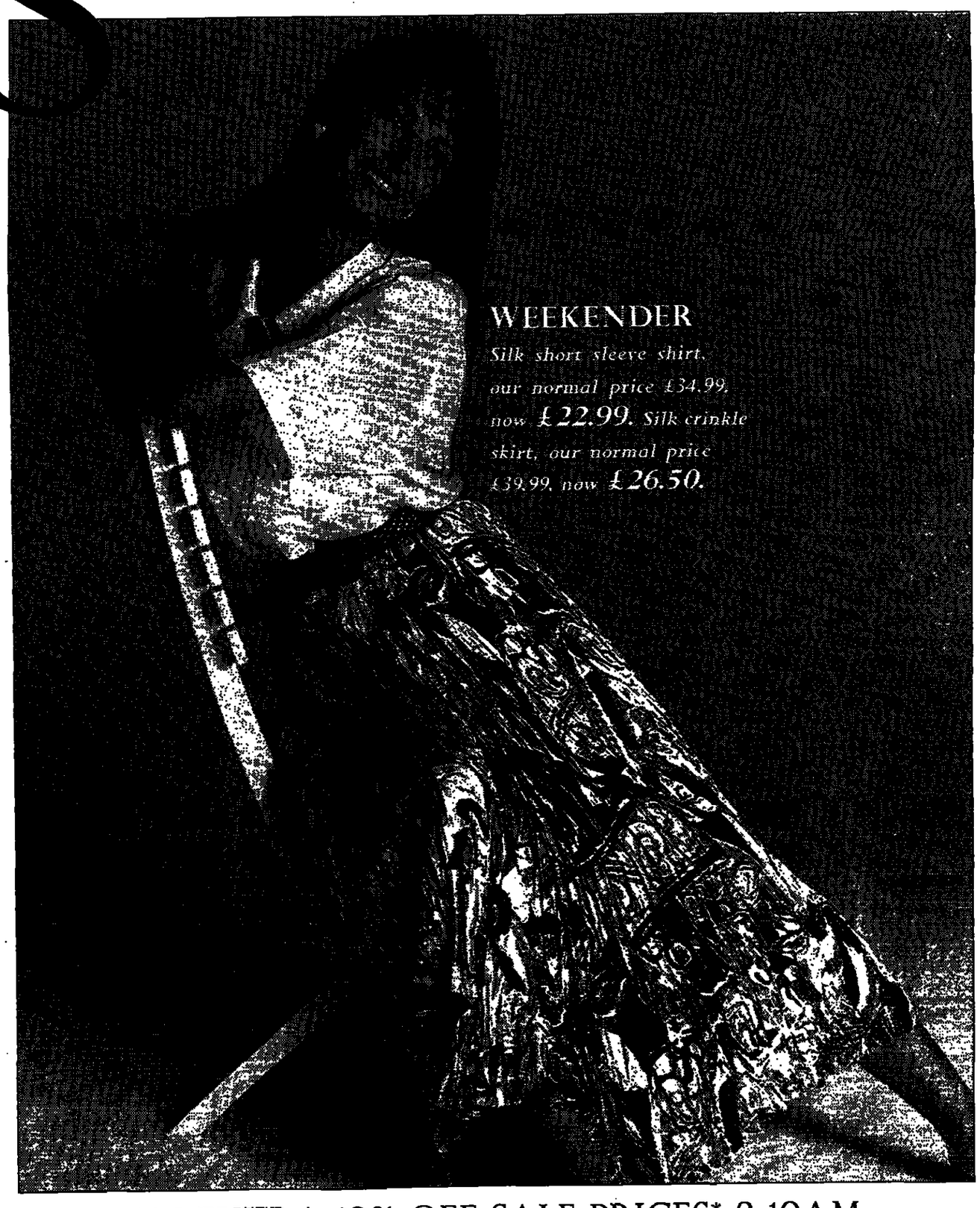
The project is referred to as the Barry CHP Project and would have a capacity of approximately 60 Megawatts electric.

A copy of the application, with a plan showing the land to which it relates, together with a copy of the Environmental Statement discussing the Company's proposals in more detail and presenting an analysis of the environmental implications are available for inspection during normal office hours at the offices of the Vale of Glamorgan Borough Council Planning Department, Civic Offices, Holton Road, Barry CF63 4RU and South Glamorgan Country Council Planning Deparment, Atlantic Wharf, Cardiff CF1 5UW.

In addition, copies of he full Environmental Statement may be obtained for a price of £20.00 while stocks last by writing to Rendel Planning, 61 Southwark Street, London SE1 1SA.

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Skin cancer vaccine has 70% success rate

BY NICK NUTTALL, TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

SCIENTISTS have developed a vaccine which has proved successful against a deadly form of skin cancer, it was announced yesterday.

In tests, the vaccine was found to be 70 per cent effective after three years on patients suffering from melanoma, the most aggressive form of skin cancer, which is fatal in advanced cases and which has doubled in the last 10 years.

Professor Karol Sikora, a cancer expert at the Hammersmith Hospital in west London, said that the results appeared to be "very good".

The vaccine, details of which were presented at the annual American Association for Cancer Research in San Francisco, has been developed by a team at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia. It has been tested on patients with malignant melanomas that had spread to the lymph nodes. Typically, 80 to 90 per cent of patients whose melanomas are so advanced develop further tumours in other areas and die.

About 50 patients who had undergone surgery to remove melanomas were vaccinated. David Berd, of the university's division of neoplastic diseases, told the meeting that after vaccination 60 per cent were tumour-free three years later. Although 10 per cent did develop further tumours, these were surgically removed and the patients had failed to develop any more.

The findings compared with a control group of patients who were not given the vaccine: only 20 per cent were still tumour-free.

Prof Sikora said it was hoped even better vaccines would be available soon, with the approach British research teams were taking.

The Imperial Cancer Research Fund's Oxford unit wanted to try injecting genes directly into tumour cells which boost the body's immune system. It is thought the cancer, which kills about 1,000 Britons a year, could be attacked by the body's disease fighting cells if they could recognise the tumour.

Prof Sikora said: "The problem has been that the immune system in patients just does not recognise these cancer cells as foreign."

The new vaccine indicates the technique is successful. The American researchers made the tumour cells "visible" to the immune system using dinitrophenyl (DNP).

Tumour cells were taken from patients and coated with DNP. The patients were then vaccinated with the coated tumour cells so that the chemical would act as a flag signalling that the cells were foreign invaders.

It also appears that once the body recognised the chemically-treated melanoma cells as being alien, the immune system acted the same way on all the skin cancers.

☐ Upright tanning machines are no safer than more conventional ones, despite manufacturers' claims, according to *Which? Way to Health*. The magazine found that the total amount of radiation was the same, pointing out: "All ultra violet rays from tanning are potentially harmful."

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ADRIAN BROOKS



The daffodils and the debutantes are out so, despite the weather, spring has arrived and with it the start of the London social season. Once it was signalled by the Berkeley Square Ball, but that event expired several years ago. In its place yesterday was this charge across Hyde Parkby final-year schoolgirls, dressed by Harrods and previewing a fashion show at The Berkeley last night in aid of the NSPCC. The children's charity hopes to raise £8,000 towards a London hostel for young runaways and a help centre for child victims of sexual abuse

Firms face £1m bills to safeguard river

BY NICK NUTTALL, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

PLANS for Britain's first water protection zone, designed to protect the River Dee and two million water customers from hazardous industrial pollution, have provoked a fierce dispute.

The scheme, being planned by the National Rivers Authority and backed by water companies and the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution, was to be in place later this year but has been criticised by the Confederation of British Industry.

Under the scheme, industries will send the authority a list of chemicals they hold and how they are stored. The authority will analyse the pollution threat and issue a catchment consent licence.

About 100 out of 760 companies may have to fit anti-pollution equipment or make improvements to qualify for a licence. Some may have to spend £1 million to meet the regulations. The zone idea has been welcomed by water companies and many industries in the Dee area.

However, Dr Elizabeth Haywood, director of the Welsh CBI, said the cost of the proposal will force businesses away. Her suggestions were yesteray rejected by the authority which says the zone would place minimal extra costs on industry.

The authority, which has made a formal request to the Environment Secretary to set up the zone, said that another big pollution incident would far outstrip the costs to industry of the scheme. The river's salmon fishery alone is worth up to £9 million a year.

The decision to designate the Dee a protection zone comes after a pollution incident ten years ago when chemicals from an industrial site in Clywd poisoned supplies.

Water protection zones are common in Europe and the United States but this was planned to be Britain's first. Between 1990 and 1993 the Dee, one of Europe's most important rivers for drinking water, had 155 pollution incidents, 17 of them serious.

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Master sues fox hunt

The Albrighton Hunt is being sued by its former master, who was dismissed after suffering a stroke while trying to stop his hounds attacking deer on the Earl of Bradford's estate in Shropshire.

David Parker, 55, is seeking £12,250 from the hunt, which he said sent a letter terminating his contract while he was still in hospital. Mr Parker, of Worcester, told Stafford County Court: "I was devastated, all I thought about was hunting. It was what kept me going." The case continues.

Tattooist fined

Richard Barrow was fined £400 for tattooing a girl aged 13 and her brother, 14. Barrow, 34, of Sunderland, admitted tattooing minors.

Car blaze

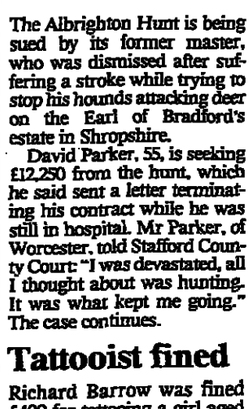
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Attack raises fears of broader conflict between nuclear powers after clash over Black Sea Fleet

Ukraine raiders seize Russian navy officers

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOW AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

UKRAINIAN forces stormed a Russian naval installation in the Black Sea port of Odessa at the weekend, beating up and arresting several Russian sailors, including three senior officers.

It was one of the most serious outbreaks of violence between Russian and Ukrainian forces serving in the disputed Black Sea Fleet, which was divided between the two countries last year. It raised fresh fears of a broader conflict erupting between the two nuclear powers, which have seen a recent resurgence of nationalist sentiment.



According to Russian naval sources, in part confirmed by Ukrainian authorities, the latest incident occurred on Sunday night when 120 armed Ukrainians attacked Russian shore facilities, including an armoury, communications centre and security office.

The Russian Navy said that servicemen and their families, including children, were injured during the operation, when the installation was sealed off and the staff placed under arrest. The commander of the facility, Captain Oleg Feoktistov, and several officers were led away handcuffed from the base. Reports from the Ukraine said that about 40 other special forces troops had also sealed off a second Russian naval centre just outside Odessa. Ukraine said that Sunday's action was provoked by an incident on Friday when a Russian naval vessel, *Cheleken*, was pursued out of the port by Ukrainian forces after it had loaded navigational equipment in Odessa and moved it to the Black Sea fleet headquarters in Sebastopol.

The Ukrainian Defence Ministry said that the three Russian officers arrested on Sunday had been involved in the operation. "They ordered men under their command to threaten Ukrainian sailors with arms and issued orders to fire without warning," the ministry said. "The actions of these officers created a real threat to safe navigation in the Odessa area."

Felix Gromov, Russia's naval commander, described the incident as a flagrant violation of the bilateral agreements to share the 300-ship fleet and issued a warning that the Ukraine had created an "explosive situation". A Russian naval spokesman singled out Vice-Admiral Vladimir Beskorovainy, commander of the Ukrainian Navy, for blame, saying that it was inconceivable that he was unaware of the operation since at the time of the attack he was in Odessa aboard the command ship, *Slavutich*.

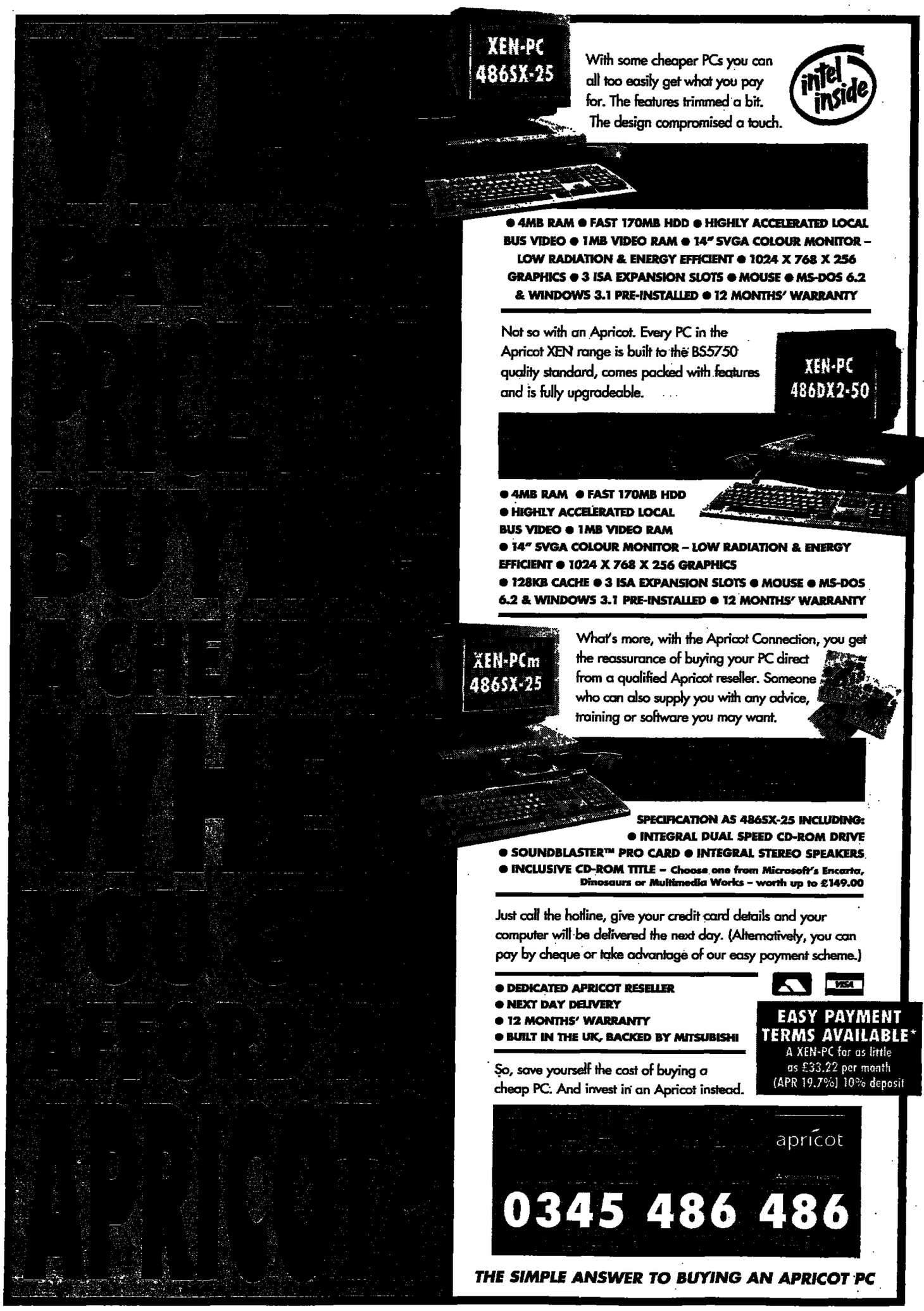
The incident is scheduled to be debated in the Russian parliament when it is expected that ultra-nationalist deputies will demand that punitive action be taken against Kiev. A senior Russian diplomat involved in relations with Ukraine was quoted yesterday as warning that Moscow's response will be tough. "The Odessa incident is the most large-scale and daring anti-Russian action ever carried out by Ukraine," the official was quoted as saying. "Obviously, the Russian Foreign Ministry's note of protest did not produce the desired impression on our Ukrainian partners. Russia will be respected, when it rigidly responds to anti-Russian moves."



Russian sailors of the Black Sea fleet raising their hands to indicate readiness to participate in a gas attack exercise. Tension has mounted with the Ukrainian raid in which Russian officers were seized in Odessa

Last night unofficial results in Ukraine's first post-Soviet general election gave the Communists and their Socialist and Agrarian allies 110 of parliament's 450 seats — mostly in the country's industrial east, where commitment to the Ukrainian state is the most suspect. Moderate nationalists elected about 60 members, mostly in their strongholds of western and central Ukraine. Extreme nationalists, including members of paramilitary groups who paraded through city centres during the campaign, won five. Independents with unclear political orientation captured many of the remaining seats. One of the most influential was led by the country's most popular politician, Leonid Kuchma, the former Prime Minister.

The Communists swept through eastern Ukraine's industrial heartland, capitalising on voter disenchantment after more than two years of economic decline. Leftist parties elected 28 deputies in Donetsk, centre of the Donbass coalfield, 11 in Lugansk further north and eight in the pro-Russian Crimean peninsula. "This is not a victory for left-wing forces but rather the reflection of reality. People want stability," the Socialist Party said. "We have to be careful that public opinion has become more radical on the basis of geography."



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Greek terror group targets Ark Royal

FROM MALCOLM BRABANT IN ATHENS

BRITISH companies and educational institutions in Greece have been warned to increase their security after a failed attempt by a left-wing terrorist group to attack the aircraft carrier *HMS Ark Royal*.

Two rockets and two plastic launching tubes were found in a disused timber warehouse yesterday in Piraeus harbour near which the *Ark Royal* had been moored since the end of last month while on a break from patrol duties off the Croatian coast. The carrier left port yesterday.

A caller claiming to represent the group, November 17, told the Athens radio station Sky that it had tried and failed to attack the ship. He blamed a poor electronic connection for the failure of the ignition device. Heavy rain last week could have prevented the attack.

After the call, Athens police searched areas around the harbour but failed to find any rockets until a second anonymous caller telephoned police headquarters and said that there were "strange objects" in the warehouse. It is thought that the 3.5in rockets were part of an ammunition haul stolen by November 17 during a raid on an army base near the northern city of Larissa.

The organisation yesterday claimed responsibility for two "successful" rocket attacks against American and Dutch insurance companies in the northern suburbs of Athens, causing some damage but no casualties. In the wake of these attacks, and two explosions at French and German educational institutions earlier this year, the British embassy in Athens has given a warning to banks, insurance companies and the British Council, to be on their guard.

November 17 has yet to provide a motive, but it is assumed that it selected targets belonging to countries which, in Greek eyes, have supported the former Yugoslav republic of Macedonia in its long-running dispute with Athens over recognition. November 17 has been operational for nearly 20 years and has tried to project a Robin Hood image, choosing targets such as American servicemen, that might endear it to populist nationalist opinion.



The British aircraft carrier, *HMS Ark Royal*, which sailed from Piraeus yesterday

Italian president calls for unity

FROM JOHN PHILLIPS IN ROME

PRESIDENT Scalfaro of Italy called for national unity yesterday as Silvio Berlusconi, the media tycoon, pledged to place his business interests in an independent trust if he becomes Prime Minister.

The head of state warned of the dangers of separatism threatening Italy in a speech at Ferentino, near Rome, as newspapers speculated that Signor Berlusconi would make Umberto Bossi, the devolutionist Northern League leader, his Deputy Prime Minister. Signor Berlusconi is expected to form a cabinet after parliament is convened on Friday.

Newspapers speculated that the television mogul had also promised the Interior Ministry to the xenophobic league, meaning it would have control over the intelligence services and police.

President Scalfaro's speech was a clear message to Signor Berlusconi to keep the league on a tight rein, political analysts said. The President is expected to name Signor Berlusconi as Prime Minister designate later this week after which he would go to parliament for a confidence vote.

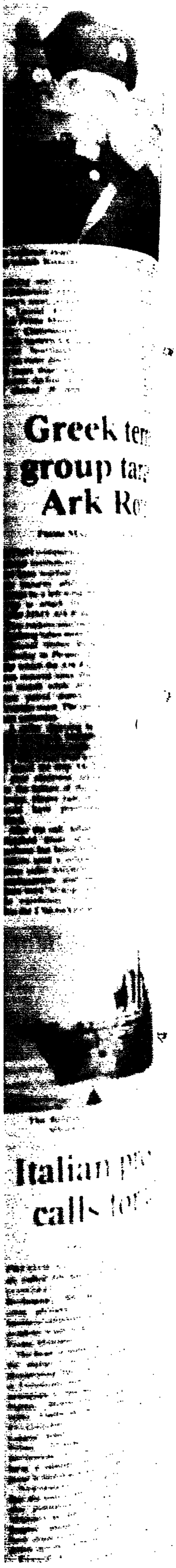
Signor Scalfaro was visiting Ferentino to commemorate the anniversary of the Nazi execution in 1944 of an anti-Fascist priest, Don Giuseppe Morosini. "History cut off a number of lives so that the principles that are fundamental to our constitution could return to life — liberty and unity," he said.

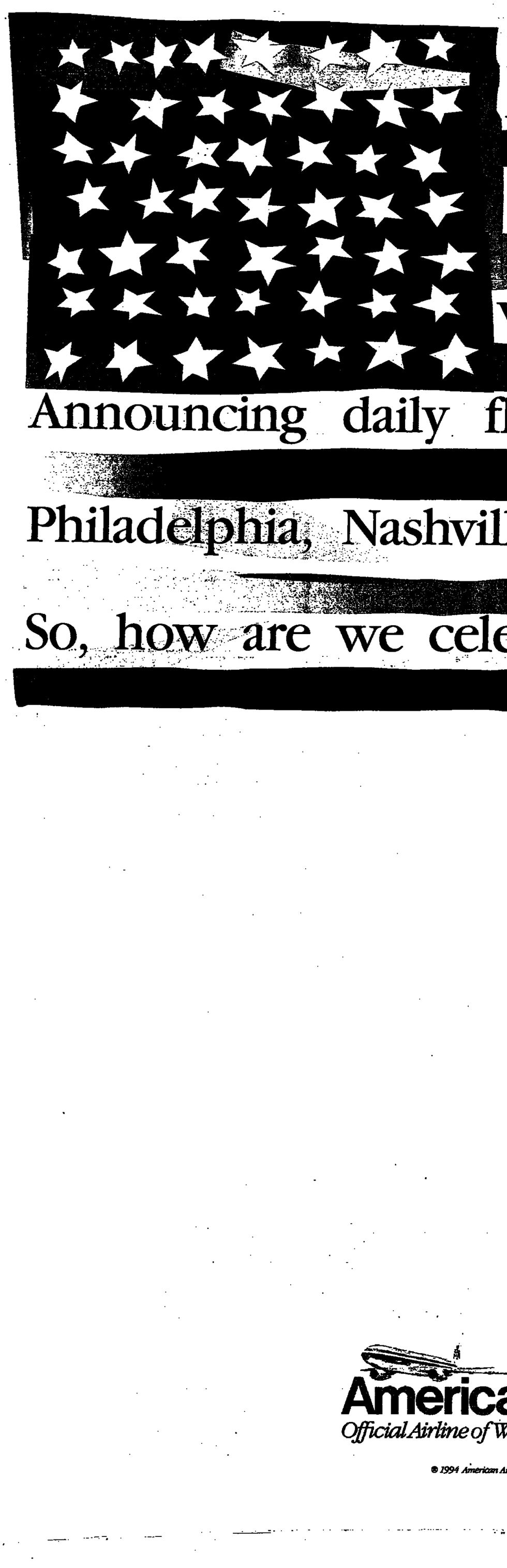
Signor Berlusconi and Signor Bossi have caused widespread concern over their plans to devolve political and financial power. Constitutionalists warn this could affect the capacity of the state to function.

Yesterday Signor Berlusconi again said he was ready to curb his private interests, including dilution of his control over his Fininvest holding company to prevent a conflict if he becomes head of government. He said he accepted the American notion of a blind trust.

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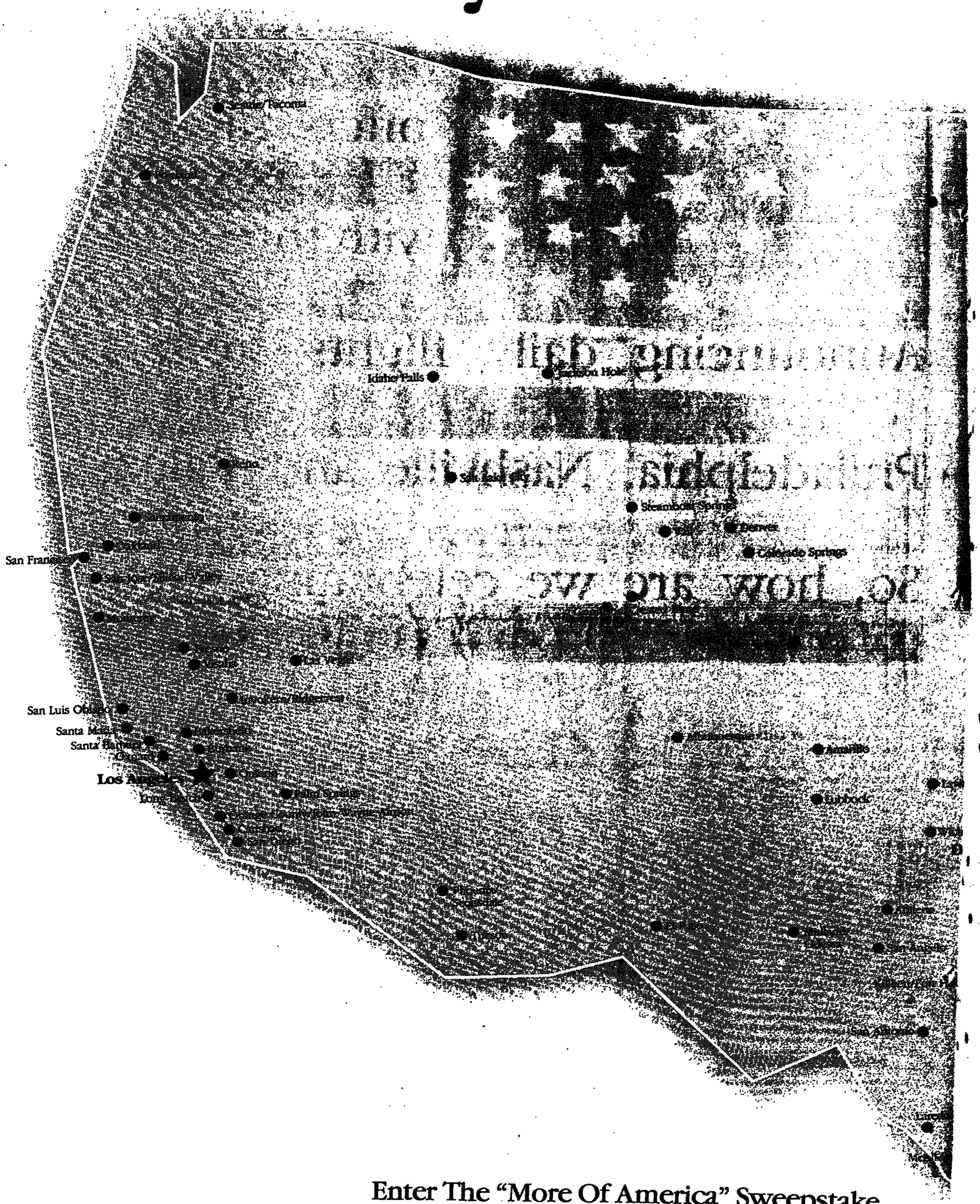
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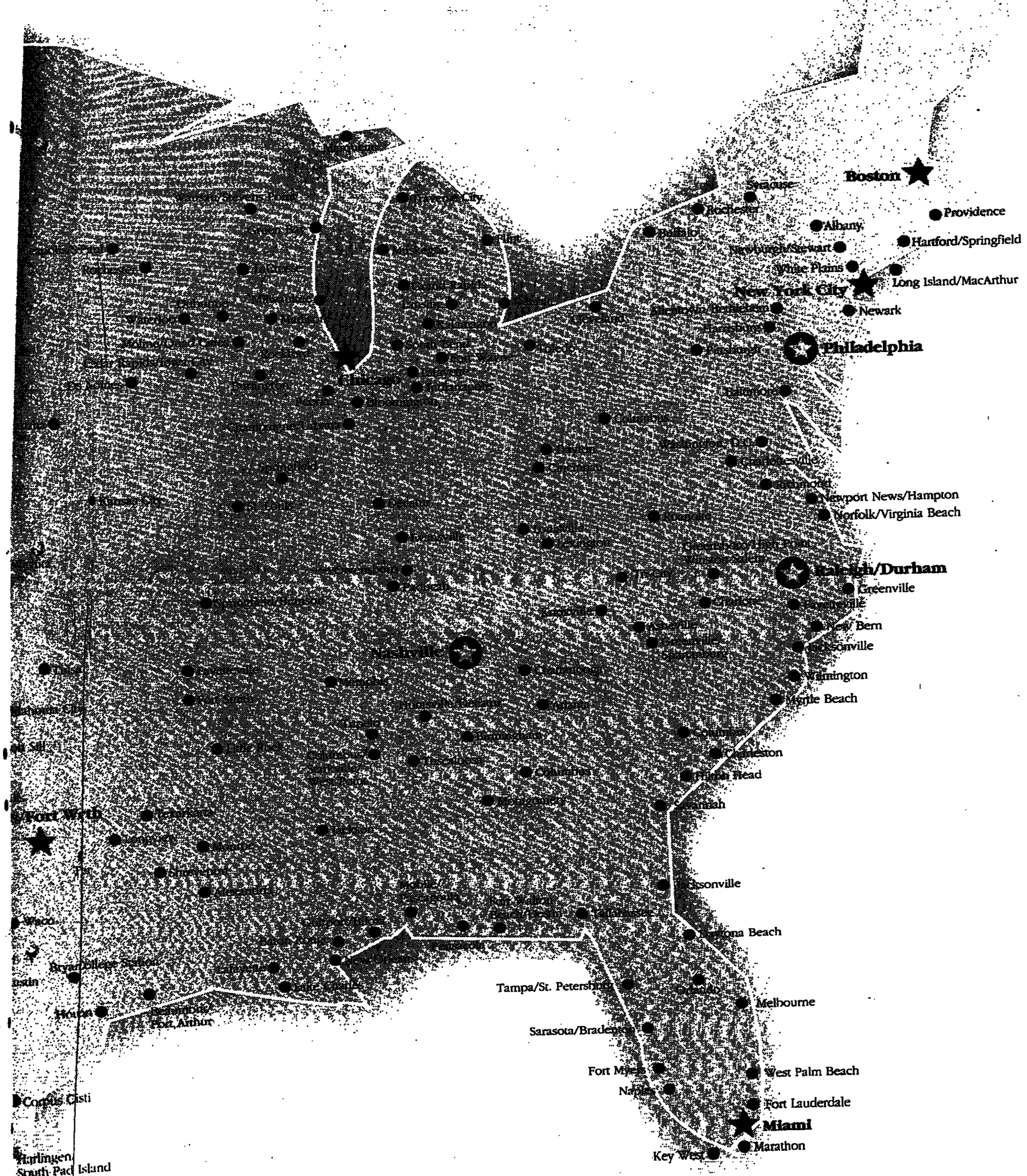
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Furious Moscow condemns 'ridiculous' Nato action and demands Security Council meeting

Clinton fails to placate Yeltsin over air strikes

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOW AND MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

RUSSIA reacted angrily yesterday to Nato's air strikes against Bosnian Serb forces in Gorazde, complaining that it had not been consulted and warning the West that it could become sucked into the Balkans conflict.

Speaking as he set off on a visit to Spain, a visibly emotional President Yeltsin indicated that he had exchanged harsh words with President Clinton in Washington over what he called a "ridiculous" raid. He was particularly upset that he had been excluded from the decision to attack the Serbs, even though Russian troops are on the ground in Bosnia and Russia is a permanent member of the UN Security Council, the body which sanctioned the use of force.

"I insisted to Clinton time and again that such decisions cannot be taken without prior consultation between the US and Russia. They cannot be," said the grim-faced Russian leader, who added that Moscow would demand a UN Security Council meeting. "This must be clarified because it all happened at night," Mr Yeltsin said.

President Clinton sought to placate Mr Yeltsin during the phone call in which he said he had assumed the UN had given advance warning of Sunday's air strikes to all nations with peacekeepers in Bosnia, including Russia.

Mr Clinton acknowledged that Mr Yeltsin was upset, but said he had explained that air strikes to protect UN peacekeepers had been authorised by the UN and that there was no time for further consultations once Lieutenant General Sir Michael Rose, the UN commander in Bosnia, formally asked for air support. Mr Clinton reaffirmed that there should be "close coordination with the Russians", who would have a "critical role to play", if peace talks are resumed.

Madeleine Albright, the American Ambassador to the UN, dismissed Mr Yeltsin's demand for a Security Council session. "The Russians think that this ought to be back in the Security Council. The truth is that others do not think so," she said.

Last night President Clinton met his senior national security advisers as Washington waited in apprehension to see whether Nato's second air strike in two days would halt the Serbs' shelling of Goradze. Senior Congressmen mostly expressed support for Mr Clinton's decision to approve the strikes, but it was clear that the President would face some extremely tough decisions if the Serbs continued their offensive. Officials called the situation "tense and very uncertain".

The unanswered question swirling around the capital was whether the US and the UN, having made a show of force, were irrevocably committed to saving Gorazde, a UN-designated "safe haven". If the answer was yes, and limited air strikes failed to deter Serb aggression, heavier military intervention would be required, raising the dreaded prospect of the US and its allies being sucked deeper into the conflict.

In Moscow it appeared that the only way out for Russia would be to try to salvage a diplomatic coup from the fighting in Gorazde, similar to the settlement successfully mediated in Sarajevo two months ago by Vitali Churkin, the trouble-shooting envoy. This time, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Moscow proposed that Serb forces surrounding the town be withdrawn, Muslim forces disarmed and the entire area brought under the control of UN peacekeepers.

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A Swedish UN soldier facing Muslim refugees from Gorazde demonstrating outside UN headquarters in Sarajevo yesterday

Bombing raids against Serbs followed to letter UN mandate on limited action

BY MICHAEL EVANS DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

■ The Serbs ignored repeated warnings to stop shelling the Muslim enclave of Gorazde. Authorisation for air strikes was given in just 25 minutes

SUNDAY'S air strike in Bosnia and yesterday's attack followed to the letter the United Nations mandate allowing limited action in support of UN personnel whose lives are at risk.

Yesterday's air strike came after a second request for close air support from the UN military observers in the city after they came under fire from a Serb T55 tank launching shells into the centre of the city from less than two miles away. The same T55 had been firing into the city the day before, initiating the first request for air support. However, the weather and ground conditions were so bad that the two American F16Cs were unable to get a clear view of the target and the pilots were given a second option — the Serb artillery command centre about seven miles southwest of Gorazde. The tank only survived another 24 hours. In yesterday's attack, it was destroyed by three bombs as it was firing on Gorazde.

In the lead-up to Sunday's strike the Serbs received two warnings to stop shelling. The first came in a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Simon Shadbolt, Royal Marine Military Assistant to Lieutenant General Sir Michael Rose, UN commander in Bosnia.

In his letter to Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, and to General Ratko Mladic, the Bosnian Serb Army commander, Lt-Col Shadbolt wrote that he had been instructed by General Rose to warn that unless "all artillery fire stopped", there would be no prospect of the peace process continuing. He also warned that General Rose would seek authorisation to conduct air strikes.

At 1620 local time, the T55 tank began firing into the centre of the city and artillery shells continued to land on the Muslim enclave. At 1630, Captain Nick Costello, General Rose's interpreter, rang the Bosnian Serb Army headquarters at Pale and gave a second warning, which was ignored.

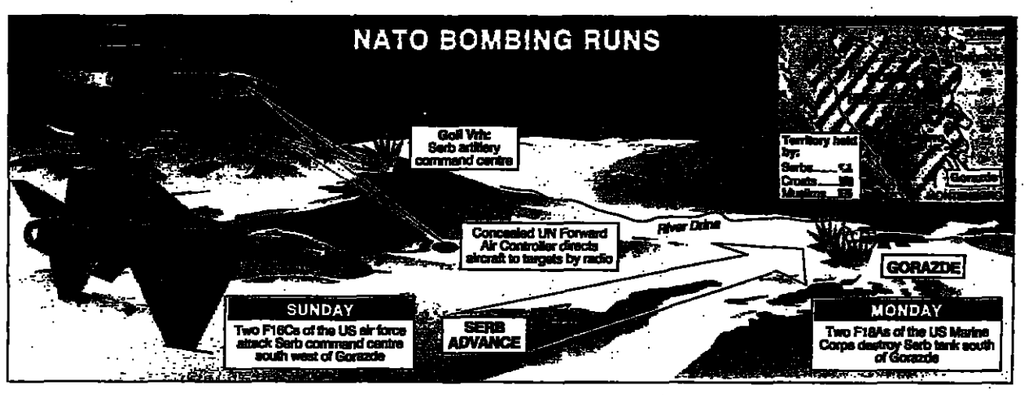
General Rose immediately called the UN Protection Force headquarters in Zagreb and asked for authorisation for close air support for the UN military observers in Gorazde from Lieutenant General Bertrand de Lapresle, overall commander of UN forces in the former Yugoslavia.

Political approval was given at 1655 by Yasushi Akashi, the UN special envoy. The authorisation procedure, which used to take a minimum of three hours, had taken just 25 minutes. However, the weather was so bad that the air strike had to be delayed. Two F16Cs of the US Air Force, based at Aviano in Italy, were on patrol ready for the weather to clear. At 1822, one of the F16Cs dropped a 500lb "dumb" [unguided] bomb on to the Serb artillery command centre set on a hillside on the Goli Vrh mountain just over seven miles south southwest of Gorazde. The command post consisted of "soft skin" and armoured vehicles, and tents. At 1826, the second F16C dropped two more 500lb bombs on to the same target.

Unguided bombs were used because the UN forward air controllers supported by SAS soldiers, all dug into covert positions within sight of the Serb targets, had sent grid references and a description of the command centre by radio to the Nato pilots.

In the second strike two FA18As from the US Marine Corps, also based at Aviano, flew low passes over Serb artillery positions at 1145 to try to force them to stop shelling Gorazde. Fifteen minutes earlier the T55 tank had fired five shells into the centre of Gorazde.

At 1225 General Mladic was warned to stop and between 1236 and 1300, the two American aircraft flew low again, this time firing illumination flares. At 1407 the order was given to provide close air support to the UN personnel. Mr Akashi gave his approval, and at 1419 the two FA18As targeted the T55 tank which was located just under two miles due south of the city. Three 500lb bombs were dropped, and the tank destroyed.



SAS plays pivotal role in Gorazde pocket

BY MICHAEL EVANS

THE involvement of the SAS in Bosnia marks the first time that British special forces have played such a crucial role in a United Nations' peacekeeping operation.

A small unit of about seven SAS men is believed to be in and around Gorazde, engaged in covert reconnaissance of Serb positions and providing detailed assessments of the capabilities of the Serb and Muslim BiH forces. Their arrival in the war zone several weeks ago was kept a close secret after a request for an SAS unit from Lieutenant General Sir Michael Rose, a former commander of 22 SAS Regiment and Director Special Forces.

UN forces are not supposed to gather intelligence because as peacekeepers they are neutral and, theoretically, should have no need of precise details of the positions, troop strengths and weapons locations of the warring factions. However, when authorisation was granted for the SAS to be deployed in Bosnia, their contribution paid immediate dividends. General Rose sent a unit of about ten SAS men to Maglaj in northern Bosnia, where the Serbs were continuing to shell the Muslim-dominated city and block the aid route from the south. They carried out ground reconnaissance and sent General Rose a full assessment.

When the Serbs withdrew from their positions in the south after being tactically outmanoeuvred by Croat troops who had stopped colluding with the Serbs and swapped their allegiance to the Muslims, the SAS are believed to have been instrumental in bringing in Coldstream Guards and Light Dragoon soldiers to Maglaj to take up residence before the Serbs could take any action. In Gorazde, one of the SAS men was reportedly injured in the Serb shelling. They are understood to have been infiltrated into the besieged city as UN military observers on Wednesday last week after General Rose's attempt to drive to Gorazde was stopped by the Serbs at Pale, south of Sarajevo.

The SAS are uniquely trained for covert reconnaissance, one of the roles they performed with such distinction behind Iraqi lines during the Gulf war when three squadrons were sent.

Zealous crusader flaunts passion for power

FROM TIM JUDAH IN BELGRADE

AS THE siege of Sarajevo began, Bosnian radio played repeatedly a tape that claimed was General Ratko Mladic shouting orders to a subordinate. "Blast 'em," he barks, naming a suburb that he wants shelled. "Blast 'em, don't let them sleep a wink – there aren't many Serbs over there." This is the man that Lieutenant General Sir Michael Rose, the archetypal British officer is up against.

Ruddy, stockily built and exuding an image of power, General Mladic is a believer. He is prosecuting the Serb cause with the zeal of a Crusader, utterly sure of his faith. He also enjoys his power, often literally of life and death. When a man was discovered cowering amongst the women and children who were being evacuated from the eastern Muslim enclave of Srebrenica, he interrogated him in front of a United Nations official. Then he let him go, saying: "I have given this man back his life."

General Mladic comes from eastern Herzegovina, an area steeped in martial tradition and also steeped in hatred of Croats. During the war in Croatia, he was appointed to head the Yugoslav Army in Knin, now the capital of the breakaway republic of Serbian Krajina.

Having caught the eye of President Milosevic of Serbia, he was given what was to become the most important task of his life. He was appointed the first commander of the Bosnian Serb Army. Within months he had fashioned an army and rapidly consolidated control over 70 per cent of the country.

Mladic is loved by his men and civilians alike. Walking the streets of Serb-held towns, he is mobbed by people who see him as their saviour from the Croat and Muslim foe. He revels in such attention.

His enemies condemn him as a evil figure and a war criminal who has seized land thanks to a policy of firing on defenceless people. He shrugs off such accusations as these. For him this a war like any other, or rather it would be if the international community were not so deeply involved.

Recently conflict has bubbled beneath the surface as General Mladic is said to have run into open conflict with Radovan Karadzic the Bosnian Serb leader. It is reported to have accused Dr Karadzic of enjoying the high life in foreign hotels and bargaining away territories that his men have died to secure for "Serbdom".

Last month General Mladic's daughter died, allegedly by her own hand. For a few days he disappeared from view only to reappear in the wake of the battle of Gorde.

Last night reports spoke of a divided Serb leadership unsure of what to do, others mentioned the possibility that General Mladic was "out of control" and could even be sacked. These stories have been officially denied. However they help to add to the Mladic myth. Will he talk on Nato? Or will he be fed into submission?



Zhirinovsky: nationalist

Zhirinovsky wants Nato bombed

BY MICHAEL BINYON DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

VLADIMIR Zhirinovsky, the maverick Russian nationalist leader, yesterday accused the West of initiating the conflict in Bosnia for its own ends, and said Russia should bomb Nato bases in Italy in retaliation for the air strikes on Serb forces (Michael Binyon writes).

Mr Zhirinovsky, who arrived in Strasbourg as part of Russia's delegation of observers at the Council of Europe, said the West's involvement was "against the Orthodox, against the Slav people". The French authorities had warned him not to make any controversial statements.

Fabio Fabbri, the Italian Defence Minister, said: "The absurd and delirious threats from Zhirinovsky, whose presence in Strasbourg seems clumsy and out of place, don't scare us."

Tasmania's anti-gay laws 'violate human rights'

FROM REUTER IN SYDNEY

THE United Nations Human Rights Committee has ruled that Tasmania's criminal laws on homosexuality violate international human rights agreements that Australia has signed, Michael Lavarch, Australia's Attorney-General, said yesterday after receiving a copy of the ruling.

But the Tasmanian government is adamant its anti-homosexual laws, which carry a maximum sentence of 21 years in prison for sexual intercourse "against the order of nature", will not be repealed. "We made a decision at a party meeting last week that we would leave the law as it is ... we will not be repealing it," Ron Cornish, the Tasmanian Attorney-General, said yesterday. "I believe the decision of the Tasmanian government clearly reflects the opinion of the Tasmanian public," he said.

The UN committee, meeting in New York, ruled on March 31 that Tasmania's criminal laws on homosexuality breached the International Covenant of Civil and Political Rights and upheld a complaint against the laws by Nicholas Toonen, a Tasmanian homosexual activist. It ruled that Mr Toonen's privacy, as enshrined in the covenant, was breached by the laws as they prevented him from engaging in sex in the privacy of his own home.

"No one shall be subject to arbitrary or unlawful interference with his privacy, family, home or correspondence, nor to unlawful attacks on his honour and reputation," the committee said.

Tasmania is the only Australian state to outlaw anal and oral sex between men. The committee called for the repeal of the offending laws and asked Australia to respond within 90 days. "The federal government now has the authority to enact a nationwide prohibition against discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation," said Rodney Croome, spokesman for the Tasmanian Gay and Lesbian Rights Group.

But the Tasmanian government, which was not represented at the UN hearing, dismissed the ruling. "What we have is a group of faceless men in another part of the world, who have no accountability for Tasmanian criminal law, making a decision relating to Tasmanian criminal law," said Mr Cornish.

Mr Lavarch said the UN ruling had no legal force, but added that the federal government may overrule Tasmania's state laws and called for talks with the Tasmanian government.

"The finding is against Australia and not Tasmania. It is Australia's obligation to comply with the standards contained in the covenant," Mr Lavarch said.

Convict takes killer title in jail bout

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

BITTER rivalry between two of New York's most notorious prisoners, a mass murderer known as the "Animal" and an accused serial killer nicknamed the "Ripper", has erupted into what might be described as the jailhouse equivalent of a world heavyweight title bout.

Colin Ferguson, a Jamaican who killed six passengers on a commuter train, recently indulged in verbal in-fighting in a Long Island jail with Joel Rifkin, a New Yorker who has been charged with strangling 18 women.

The hulking Ferguson, who is 36, easily scored a technical knock-out by punching the scrawny Mr Rifkin, 35, in the mouth after the accused sex killer refused his request to be quiet while he (Ferguson) was talking on the phone.

Prison sources say the two have been enemies since Ferguson arrived in the the Nassau County Correctional Institute outside New York City in December, each apparently claiming the credentials of being the most fearsome criminal. "I wiped out six devils, and you only killed women," Ferguson is reported to have told his challenger.

"Yeah, but I had more victims," Mr Rifkin is reported to have countered.

The prison brawl has exacerbated racial tensions in the prison, with black prisoners supporting Ferguson and white inmates taking Rifkin's side. Only last week, a group of black prison guards complained that their white colleagues had encouraged white inmates to beat up Ferguson. The black guards said the problem of racial violence in the jail was "systemic".

Ferguson has now been moved to another section of the prison to keep him away from the hapless Mr Rifkin, and peace reigns for now.

Menem savours prospect of second term in office

FROM EDWARD EDWARDS IN BUENOS AIRES

PRESIDENT Menem, dismissing gains made by a ragtag left-wing coalition, yesterday savoured overwhelming backing for his plan to run for an unprecedented second term in office.

"I tell you now, we are going to continue what we have begun. The economic model has the backing of the political forces," the Argentinian leader said.

Countrywide, Señor Menem's Peronist Party took 38 per cent of the vote, followed by the Radical Party with 20 per cent. His mandate expires next year. He wants a second term to consolidate the free-market reforms that produced what he calls his "economic miracle" and turned Argentina into one of the world's leading emerging markets.

But Señor Menem received a slap in the face in the capital in the form of an upset victory for the Broad Front left-wing coalition, thrown together just months ago protesting against the re-election bid and mounting charges of government corruption. With the exception of a socialist senator elected in 1961, no leftwingers had won in Buenos Aires for if a century. "This is a 'y' to corruption, a 'no' to Menem's re-election," Broad Front leader Carlos Alvarez, the oad Front leader, said.



Menem: wants to consolidate reform

In recent weeks, the government has seen itself sucked into one scandal after another as close aides of the President and senior officials faced charges — rarely upheld in court — of corruption and fraud in everything from the sale of state assets to the management of pensioners' health funds.

The main loser from Sunday's vote appeared to be the opposition Radical Party of Señor Menem's predecessor, Raúl Alfonsín, who aged in a sudden switch in November to back the President's bid for constitutional reform.

Señor Alfonsín's party still identified with mind-boggling four-digit hyperinflation in 1989, alienated many loyal voters with this shift.

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Wounded Tutsi soldiers bayoneted to death in hospital by government soldiers

Westerners flee rebel advance on Kigali

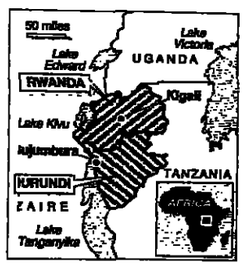


An American woman and child in Nairobi after being evacuated from the Rwandan capital in a US military transport aircraft

By Catherine Bond in Kigali
James Landale in Brussels
and Lucy Berrington

RIBEL forces were last night closing in on Kigali, the Rwanda capital, as Belgium speeded the rescue of its 1,500 nationals from the anarchic cetral African republic amid cotinuing bloodshed.

he Rwandan Patriotic Fnt announced that its 20000-strong army was appaching Kigali from all sies and that resistance from government forces was crumbing. A French military commnder confirmed that the



fnt's troops were just one aid a half miles from the Fench School in central Kigali where trapped Westerners vere assembling for evacuatin and advised journalists to lave. "This place is going to gt dangerpus," he said.

Reports of brutality continud to come in. Three governnent soldiers bayoneted to dath in Kigali's central hospiti two wounded soldiers belnging to the minority Tutsi tibe. The hospital was said to e overflowing with 700 wounded men, women and children. The compound outside was littered with bodies.

Yesterday two European officers serving with the United Nations in Rwanda said 89 Tutsi who sought sanctuary in a church near the UN compound were killed on Thursday by Hutu civilians brought to the church by government soldiers. They died in the presence of the UN officers. The killings take place casually, under the noses of UN, French and Belgian troops, within the range of television cameras, and just yards from convoys of expatriates being evacuated and foreign journalists.

Although it is impossible for outsiders to identify who is killing who, most of the killing is probably not random but carried out along ethnic and political lines. The victims are likely to be members of Rwanda's ethnic minority, the Tutsi, as well as members of the majority Hutu tribe who made the now-fatal mistake of openly supporting opposition parties.

Foreigners married to Tutsi are not spared. Belgian troops serving with the 2,500-strong force in Rwanda say at least two mixed Belgian-Rwandan families have been slaughtered. The Canadian wife of a Tutsi opposition politician and their children were among the first people killed when the violence flared last Thursday. The Foreign Office in London said that at least 47 Britons had fled the country but about 30 are thought to remain. France completed the evacuation of almost all its 620 nationals by last night but said about 30 more were stranded outside Kigali.

At least three C-130 military transport planes carrying 270 Belgians took off yesterday afternoon from Kigali for Nairobi, the Kenyan capital, and more were expected to follow. The refugees will then fly to Brussels on board a Boeing 747 and a DC 10 provided by Sabena, the Belgian national airline.The Defence Ministry in Brussels confirmed that at least six Belgian civilians have been killed in the fighting which has been raging in Rwanda since the deaths of President Ntaryamira of Burundi and President Habyarimana of Rwanda. Ten Belgian soldiers were killed last week while protecting Agathe Uwilingiyimana, the Rwandan Prime Minister.

Hundreds of Belgians who have been trapped in their homes since last Wednesday began to flood towards Kigali airport, and Belgian radio said the evacuation seemed to be going smoothly. Colonel Luc Marchal, head of the Belgian UN peacekeepers in Rwanda, said that there was still shooting in the capital, but that it was less intense than in previous days. "Police are trying to get security under control and are rooting out looters," he told Belgian television.

Early yesterday morning, 89 Belgian and 26 Dutch nationals arrived in Brussels after flying from Bujumbura, the capital of Burundi. They said they had escaped from the southern Rwandan town of Butare by land after hearing the reports of violence in Kigali. Although they said they had been afraid, they added that Butare had been quiet.Anti-Belgian feeling is strong in Kigali where government troops have accused Belgium of siding with the rebel Rwandan Patriotic Front. An Oxfam spokesman predicted huge population movements if the fighting continued and said there were already rumours of Burundian refugees in Rwanda fleeing home across the border.

Escaping Britons described the five days of slaughter. One elderly woman from Sussex, an Anglican lay worker who did not wish to be named, said: "Young men with knives are running around burning and killing. We felt we had to go now or we would not be able to get out ... we mourn the poor Rwandans. They are scared stiff."

Tony Wood, British honorary consul who has lived in Rwanda since 1968, believed rampaging gangs of youths were murdering and looting houses in the city. "If they don't get what they want from people, it's curtains. This country is being destroyed. While people may not have agreed with the late President, the infrastructure of the country was fantastic, roads, communications and so on. It is a tragedy to see what is happening here."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Algerian minister quits over economy

Tunis: President Zeroual of Algeria accepted the resignation of Redha Malek, the Prime Minister, yesterday and appointed Mokdad Sifi, the Equipment Minister in the outgoing government, to succeed him.

The change was announced a day after Algeria's army-backed rulers devalued their dinar by 28.6 per cent as part of a debt relief deal with the International Monetary Fund (IMF). Diplomats and analysts had expected Mr Malek's resignation at the end of the long negotiations with the IMF, in which Algeria accepted painful price rises and a big devaluation in exchange for a rescheduling of its $26 billion (£17.7 billion) debt. *(Reuter)*

Pope's visit off

Rome: The Pope's planned visit to Lebanon in May, his first trip to the Middle East, which was to have been one of spiritual encouragement, has been postponed indefinitely because of a surge of violence. *(Reuter)*

Alliance pact

Bonn: Germany's liberal Free Democrats, slumping in popularity before the October national elections, voted to continue their coalition with the Christian Democrats, led by Helmut Kohl, the Chancellor. *(Reuter)*

Bomb kills 16

Kabul: At least 16 civilians died and 144 were wounded in an air strike and artillery bombardment by rival factions. The deaths resulted from a bomb dropped by a jet of General Abdul Dostam, the Uzbek warlord. *(AFP)*

Iraqi pardon

Bucharest: President Saddam Hussein pardoned four Romanians jailed for "illegal entry" into Iraq after a Romanian government appeal, the Foreign Ministry here said. They had entered Iraq from Turkey. *(AFP)*

Seoul offers aid

Seoul: President Kim Young Sam of South Korea said Seoul is ready to provide economic aid to North Korea if Pyongyang engages in serious dialogue with the South over its suspected nuclear programme. *(Reuter)*

Lady vampire

Moscow: According to witnesses, an unnamed "highly excited" woman party-goer in Vladivostok stabbed a policeman to death, then "began greedily sucking the blood from his wounds", the RIA news agency said. *(Reuter)*

Pretoria's finance chief puts faith in ANC partnership

From Michael Hamlyn in Johannesburg

■ Derek Keys ran a mining conglomerate before joining the government. His experience of working with the ANC has convinced him that South Africa has bright economic prospects

DESPITE the turmoil in some parts of South Africa, Derek Keys, the Finance Minister, was confident yesterday that the multi-party government of national unity to be installed after the election will manage the economy well.

"I think it's going to work," he told a group of foreign correspondents, "and it's going to work very well." Mr Keys, who was brought into the Cabinet four years ago after heading Genbor, the country's second-biggest mining and finance conglomerate, has had two years running an all-party economic policy. There has been consultation and negotiation over previous budgets, through which VAT was increased from 10 to 14 per cent. "We did that without a single protest from labour," he said. An informal group was set up to negotiate with the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank, which included all parliamentary parties and the African National Congress.

The same group put together South Africa's offer to Gatt. "The deal we have done through Gatt involves the industrial and trade policy of this country for the next decade at least, and probably longer," Mr Keys said. "We've brought inflation down; we've resumed growth, we've got things going again. In all that time we have not had an ideological discussion."

Mr Keys was also confident of the resilience of the South African economy. "It's a super economy," he said, pointing out that it has survived falling commodity prices, lower precious metal prices, loss of capital, and the worst drought the country has known. "You have to have respect for an economy which can take all that — and I haven't even mentioned sanctions — on the chin and emerge this quarter at a higher level of economic activity than five years ago."

Mr Keys said that all parties now agreed that the main objective was job creation. There were, he thought, two possible threats to the future. Firstly, his hopes rest on a consensus that high economic growth is important enough to make sacrifices for. "If we have a serious carbuncle of political unrest, it makes the achievement of that consensus well-nigh impossible," he said. Secondly, he feared that if the ANC became too powerful some of its radical views might prevail.

The focus returns to constitutional differences between the ANC and the Inkatha Freedom Party today, when a team of mediators headed by Lord Carrington, the former Foreign Secretary, and Henry Kissinger, the former US Secretary of State, arrives here to try to resolve the impasse. The terms of reference for the mediators were agreed between a joint ANC/Inkatha committee on Sunday.

☐ **Pretoria:** South Africa's National Assembly will elect a new President on May 6, eight days after the first all-race elections, Judge Michael Corbett, head of the inaugural committee, said. *(AFP)*



Keys: confident in resilience of South African economy

City of joy, gin and jazz leaps from Mao to land of Trump

From Charles Bremner in Shanghai

AS TRAINS from the hinterland disgorge their passengers on to the packed platforms of the Shanghai railway station, loudspeakers boom out a strange command: "Please get back on the trains and go home."

The great port opened by British arms for the opium trade in the 1840s is enjoying a bonanza of historic dimension, but this city of 13 million cannot house the thousands pouring in from the countryside every week. Fe, however, heed the warning. The foreign firms rushing to Shanghai may consider their payroll a negligible cost, but for the peasant arrivals a local sweatshop means prosperity.

With its gold-rush atmosphere, the impact on the peasant, with his belongings in a bundle on a stick, is beyond imagination. What, on wonders, must he make of the avenues of boutiques? The old haunts of the European settlement seem to have leaped straight over Mao's Tsetung'sworld to the land of Donald Trump. This yuppie heaven of young business types — more Hong Kong than Red China — are busy doing their bit for Deng Xiaoping's dictum "rich is glorious", the rationale of "market socialism" which has unleashed the merchant energy of the Chinese.

Modern traffic now jams all six lanes of the Bund, the elegant avenue by the Hangpu river which boasts the great 1920s facades of the European era. The new masters of the "city of joy, gin and jazz" are leasing back the old buildings — sometimes to their former owners — at higher costs than Manhattan or London. The skyline is thick with glitzy modern towers thrown up by teams, which swarm on bamboo scaffolding.

The rule may still be Communist, but you sense a touch of the heyday when Shanghai was home to the wickedly rich and desperately poor. While the poor are being shoved out to the outskirts, everyone else appears to be pouring their yuan into the speculative gold mines of the stock exchange and property market.

The nightlife is back with official encouragement, this time in the form of gaudy cabarets and karaoke bars. Residents tell of rampant corruption, gangsters and crooked cops, clip-joints and bawdy houses worthy of 1920s Chicago.

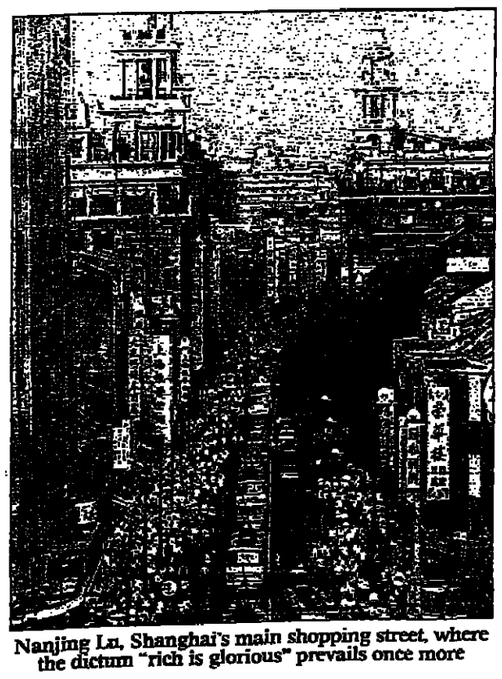
The sleazy side is a symptom of the vastly ambitious plan to turn Shanghai into the commercial dragon of the world. Mr Deng, China's senior leader, launched the Shanghai explosion in 1992 after concluding that he had made an error in excluding it from the "special economic zones" created 15 years ago.

Shanghai is aiming to replace Hong Kong as the economic centre after 1997. In 1992 £2.4 billion flowed in, followed by £6 billion last year. About 130 multinational companies set up operations in 1993. The Pharaonic projects now under way include a German-built underground rail system, motorways, a second international airport and the foundations of a huge new economic zone in Pudong, across the river. It is conceivable that this site could turn into the trade centre of the Pacific region.

But warning signs have been flashing and the speculative bubble in Shanghai has begun to look just that. Corruption and greed is causing some foreign companies to look elsewhere.

The big unknown is the convulsion expected to follow the death of the ailing Mr Deng. A senior Shanghai-based diplomat outlined his bleak theory that with unrest simmering again, Li Peng and the other Peking leaders have decided to put internal order above growth and are preparing one of China's big reversals.

China would weather the heavy short-term damage to its economy and emerge ready for the 21st century with discipline re-imposed. Such a scenario would guarantee a very cold shower for the new merchants of Shanghai.



Nanjing Lu, Shanghai's main shopping street, where the dictum "rich is glorious" prevails once more

Boycott splits Japan's coalition

From Associated Press in Tokyo

THE possibility of a stalemate in Japan's government arose yesterday when leaders of the ruling coalition's conservative faction boycotted a meeting called by their liberal partners.It was the clearest illustration yet of a split in the coalition that has widened since the resignation of Morihiro Hosokawa, the Prime Minister. Mr Hosokawa's decision brought to the surface a long-simmering feud between a moderate-to-left faction in the eight-bloc coalition and a more conservative group led by Ichiro Ozawa.

The argument was over procedure, but the real dispute is over the ideas and personality of Mr Ozawa, who wants Japan to take on the military burdens of a "normal country". Japan's constitution forbids the use of force in international disputes. The differences have kept the coalition from deciding who should succeed Mr Hosokawa.

A split in the coalition would leave Japan with several large minority blocs in parliament, each opposed to the other and none with good prospects of forming a stable government. That in turn could mean political paralysis as the Clinton Administration puts pressure on Japan to reduce its trade surplus with Washington.

Analysts also have expressed fears that a political vacuum could make it difficult for the West to form a bulwark against North Korea, which is suspected of trying to build a nuclear bomb.

THE TIMES INVITES READERS TO A PRIVATE VIEW AT THE ROYAL ACADEMY

TRUTH AND FANTASY

Goya

THE SMALL PAINTINGS



The Drunken Mason, 1786

Museo del Prado, Madrid

The first major exhibition to be held in London for nearly 30 years of the work of Francisco Goya (1746-1828) opened on March 17 at the Royal Academy of Arts in London's Piccadilly. "Goya: Truth and Fantasy", consists of about 100 small-scale paintings, drawn from private collections, museums and galleries.

The exhibition includes sketches for Goya's major altarpieces, dating from the 1770s to 1820, and many of Goya's portraits, including the celebrated self-portrait of the artist working in the studio.

The exhibition, which runs until June 12 is mounted in association with *The Times* and Classic FM with support from Iberia Airlines.

To enable readers of *The Times* to enjoy the exhibition at leisure,we have arranged two private view evenings, on Tuesday, April 19, and Thursday, April 28, from 6.30pm to 8.30pm, during which wines and canapés will be served. On arrival each guest will be directed to the Sackler Galleries and given a free gallery guide, worth £1.60. During the evening Mouton Cadet wines, red and white, by Baron Philippe de Rothschild, will be served with canapés in the Private Rooms.

At 7pm a short introductory talk will be given by a guest lecturer and the Royal Academy shop will be open to readers who will be entitled to a 10 per cent discount on Goya merchandise (excluding books).

On leaving the exhibition, each guest will receive a copy of the poster for the exhibition, worth £4.95, and the gift of four exhibition postcards, worth £1.20. Tickets for the private view evenings are available at the cost of £10 each.

If you would like to join us on one of the private view evenings, please complete the coupon below and send it with your remittance to: *The Times* Goya offers, PO Box 11, Tadcaster, North Yorks, LS24 9XA. Alternatively you can order tickets by telephone (0937 541149), Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm.

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Russia's good-time girls who just want to have fun

Bored with reforms, Muscovites pursue the pleasure principle



ANNE McELVOY

Glancing into the mirror in the ladies" lavatory at a Moscow night club, four faces appear alongside my own. They are framed by glossy blonde hair, set in intricate curls and waves. Frowns of concentration furrow their young brows as they paint their lips a ferocious red. The girls turn on their high heels and clatter back to rejoin their hosts.

Their harsh beauty and brazen venality conjure up an image of another era and another country. They seem like creatures from a George Grosz canvas, ghosts of Weimar Germany moved East. Whether or not the prophesies of an imminent social chaos and descent into dictatorship are fulfilled, the heady cocktail of decadence, squalor and resentment is one that produced national intoxication in inter-war Berlin.

"This is respectable place," announces one of the doormen. "No Caucasians, no shooting." Back at their table, the boyfriends have got through two bottles of vodka and two French table wines, and are moving on to Bloody Marys with shots of cognac, as if they could not get enough variety on their blurred palates. They have ordered lobster, but are bored of eating it. Drinking is more fun, anyway.

In Soviet days, you could have been sure that the women were prostitutes and the men foreigners. In the half-light of contemporary Moscow mores, however, it is more difficult to tell, as hard as it is to be sure whether a rich man is an entrepreneur or a criminal.

The primacy of business and the pursuit of money have spawned a generation of good-time girls: not professional whores, just women willing to be on hand for a night out. "We do not have prostitutes in here," says one waiter, "just a lot of very pretty girls."

Nancy Astor, who visited Russia in 1954, found it "far more like England than any other foreign country", with its "awful clothes, awful food, no wine, the deeply ingrained Calvinism, the gloom, the indifference to sex... and all that tea too."

They still like their tea in Moscow, but the Puritanism has been dispelled.

The city is consumed by the urge to enjoy, to spend, to dance until dawn to a techno-beat. Versace, which opened its doors this month as the most expensive clothes shop in the city to date, has so many would-be customers that it is charging an entrance fee. A few hundred yards away, 12 beggars froze to death during a single winter night.

When the DJ turns down the sound after the words "I know what I want", the crowd chants back "And I want it now". It could be the anthem of Weimar Russia. Another popular rap song urges, "Tomorrow there might be peace, there might be war, there might be a *dictator*, a tsar or a democrat. Tonight there is only music."

The currently favoured night club is the Palace of Culture, a former lightbulb factory near the run-down Kursk station. The "employee of the month" and legends of production quotas for 40-watt bulbs dating back 20 years are still visible on the walls.

A one-armed veteran, still wearing his Lenin badge, mans the cloakroom. He hardly notices the garish array of painted creatures who pass before him. "I'm not interested in what goes on here."

Only rarely does politics intervene in Moscow's nocturnal world. In the aftermath of the October rebellion, Boris Yeltsin ordered a curfew which closed all clubs and restaurants. It was a hugely popular move with ordinary Muscovites, who deeply resented the existence on their doorstep of pleasure domes they cannot afford to enter.

Of the pretenders to Mr Yeltsin's throne, only the extremist candidate Vladimir Zhirinovsky exerts sub-cultural appeal. He has honed in on heavy-metal fans, and even appears on occasions in his black leather jacket at the sweaty and unprepossessing Sexton Food night club.

He allows a bikers' shop to operate from the stairway of his headquarters, and says that he likes "good loud rock music sung in Russian". This is no mere eccentricity. Mr Zhirinovsky is well aware that the secret of electoral success lies in selling his twisted patriotism to old and young disaffected alike.

His name evinces no sign of concern among the revellers. In the swish nightclubs with their surfeit of food, drink and blonds, everything goes, it seems, except talk about politics.

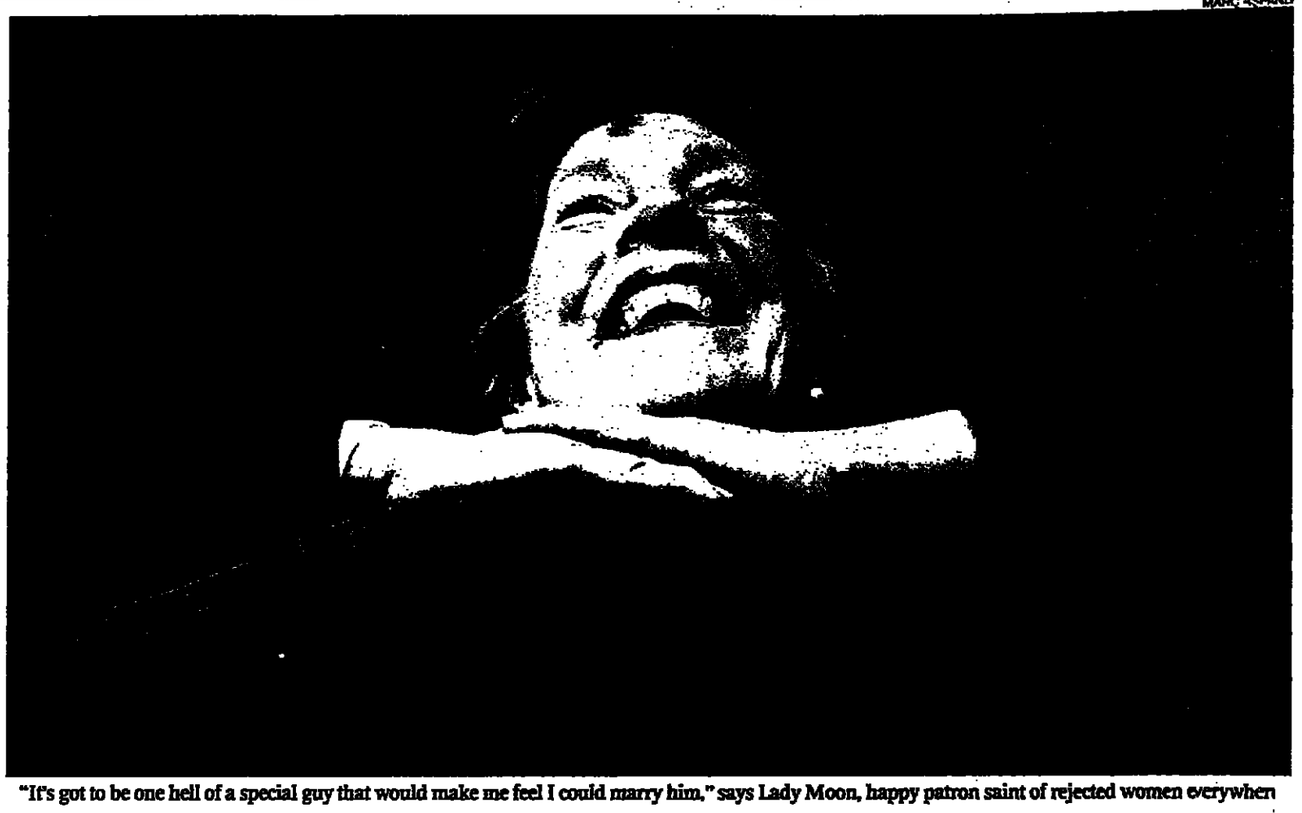
The *nuvorischi* express contempt for their tired, old country by not taking any interest in who runs it. In this they are joined by intellectuals, who sneer at the disorganisation of the Democrats, and by disillusioned voters such as those of St Petersburg, too few of whom turned out last month even to validate the local elections.

In the present doldrums of reform, it seems that few Russians have the strength to consider the future, let alone take part in shaping it. But some are having a better time than others, living in the giddy present.

MARC ASPLAND

Why the lady is an old bag

The years since Sally Moon, self-styled Chief Old Bag, took revenge on her baronet husband have been good for her and bad for him, she tells **Julia Llewellyn Smith**



"It's got to be one hell of a special guy that would make me feel I could marry him," says Lady Moon, happy patron saint of rejected women everywhen

Two years ago Sally Moon was a woman scorned. Her husband, a car-dealing baronet, had left her for a younger woman and was living in a love nest down the road. He was cruising in the fast lane, having the time of his life; she was marooned on the hard shoulder, lonely and menopausal, unqualified and blackballed from the dinner party circuit.

It was an all-too-familiar story, but with one crucial difference. Lady Moon decided to rewrite the ending. Not for her an embittered old age of widow's cruises and angry outbursts at the dogs. Or not without a fight, at least. At three o'clock one bleak May morning she went to her husband's new house and poured white gloss paint over his BMW. She then cut the sleeves off 32 of his £1,000 suits. Finally, she distributed 70 of the best bottles from his wine cellar on the doorsteps of her rival's village.

Her actions made all the newspapers, made her husband, Sir Peter, a laughing stock and, after the paint had been scraped off and the wine recovered, transformed Lady Moon, 55, into a sort of feminist guru, a Germaine Greer in a Barbour, a Camille Paglia for the home counties.

"People say to me you have struck a blow for womankind and all that sort of crap," she says. "But at the time there wasn't anyone in my world, except me and Peter. I don't mind admitting that for a while I was batty."

She is not exactly batty now, but she is definitely eccentric in the most English of ways. Her upbringing was a template of upper-class girlhood: born in India, bred in Egypt, Benenden and the Season. It was a life with no purpose except marriage. An early, disastrous one produced three sons; the second, to Sir Peter, spawned two.

It is lunchtime when I arrive at her sprawling farmhouse in Lambourn Woodlands, Berkshire. Lady Moon is curled up in an armchair, knocking back the red wine, the photographer is giggling hysterically. Her pug is scratching at the door. I have just missed a big family row, over what her visiting grandchildren will be fed for lunch. Clearly, the Moon temperament is unabated, the worm is still turning. "Even on matters like this, I will speak my mind. I'm not going to be pushed into neutral beige and brown, to become the mat everyone wipes their feet on."

It is this frankness that has made Lady Moon more than a one-gesture wonder. She is pretty, witty and — if a bit rambling — articulate, perfect fodder for the chat-show circuit. She has lost count of the number of times she has appeared with Richard and Judy or Anne and Nick. The other week she was on *Newsnight* talking about "poor Lady Caithness". She is editing a book of tales of revenge and for a few months last year had a column in *The Sun*.

All this is a handy money-spinner and two fingers up to Sir Peter, who fled to South Africa, paying not a penny of maintenance. Yet Lady Moon is not the only one to benefit from her deeds. A chance remark to a newspaper about forming a club for "Old Bags" in her position led to an avalanche of enquiries. "We realised there was a tremendous demand there for a club for women who find themselves — whether they like it or not — abandoned in middle age and trying to start again."

Within a year, the Old Bags Club, or OBC, had 500 members, aged between 43 and 65, from all over the country and all classes. Lists of names are complied by region and the Bags are encouraged to get together. Canada is interested and so are Australia, Holland, Japan, Ireland, South Africa and New Zealand. Lady Moon, as Chief Old Bag, has just been in America to launch the club there. A logo is currently being printed of an open bag ("Crumpled, but very good quality") with stars, bottles of champagne and pound signs bursting out of it.

When Old Bags meet, they do not discuss the politics of eating disorders or the rota for the next bring-and-buy sale. "We have *fun*," says Lady Moon, leaning back against the Aga. "Last week a girlfriend and I had lunch at Langan's. It was *great*! We didn't see anyone famous and it cost about £33, but it's absolutely lovely now and again for a treat."

But this is advanced Old Bagdom. In the early stages the club exists for ear-chewing, for moaning, for groaning to others who will understand. "You know you can be exceedingly boring and repetitive but if you give that leeway to someone else you can think: 'It's time for me now.' It's like therapy but cheaper, and I think it works better."

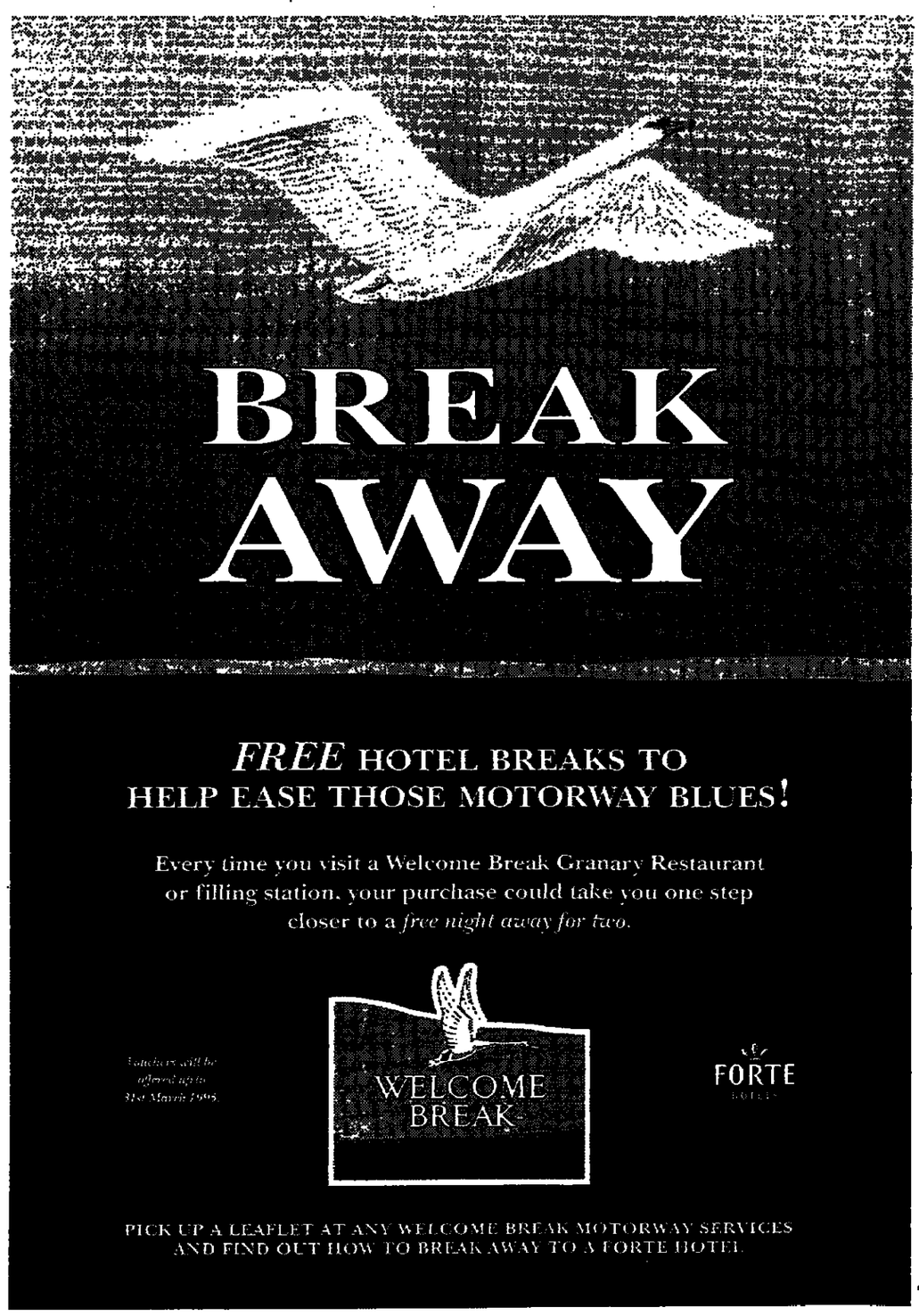
A bit of talk and a bit of laughter and most women are, if not exactly healed, patched up. "In the end a lot of them are quite relieved to see the back of him." Some cases, however, are more serious. "You get women who are really on the floor. Society has said you are not one of a couple any more, therefore there is this gentle dropping and rejection. That hole in your life has got to be filled, and you have to accept that there just aren't enough guys to go round. You have got to come to terms with the fact you may never marry again, that you may never sleep with another man."

Even if you do sleep with another, little will be solved. "These women have got to learn to live on their own. Then when they meet another man you think: 'Hmm, you just might add to the quality of my life.' But it's just when you have done a lot of hard work that you can do that."

Lady Moon has done that hard work. "It's got to be one hell of a special guy that would make me feel I could marry him, or even live with him."

Sir Peter, meanwhile, has fared less happily. He split up with the Berkshire girlfriend, and last October remarried in South Africa. Last week, however, it was reported that the marriage was over. "I can't say I'm surprised," says the first Lady Moon, before making a few unprintable comments about the second. "I feel sorry for Peter now."

Listening to his powerhouse, it is hard to believe she suffered 27 years of philandering and second-class-dom. But the insecurities of a woman who believed she was nothing except in the eyes of a man still peak through. "One or twice I have been at a dinner party and sat next to a single man who didn't appear to be queer or transvestite. I was deeply, deeply panicky. I thought: 'Oh my God, I have to do something about this, an suppose I was rejected?'"



Americans are frequenting giant bookstores to shop for the perfect nate

Passion goes under cover



KATE MUIR

WHO WOULD have expected a literary renaissance when books are being scorned into oblivion by the lovers of CD-roms and other unpleasant technotools? Yet mushrooming across America, and soon Europe, are book superstores which could shelve all of Charing Cross Road.

Late in the evening, the Barnes & Noble megabookstore on Broadway in Manhattan glows alive against the dark shops all around. Couples fall out of the cinema or restaurants for a "lit hit" before going home. Two hundred or so people are mooching along the mahogany shelves among nearly a quarter of a million books — not all are buying, but plenty are thumbing, and others are sitting reading at tables or crosslegged on the carpet.

Down at the other block-long superstore in Chelsea at ten at night or later, fat armchairs and sofas are provided for the weary, with Virgil and Plato in pocketsized editions on a sidetable. Readers stop for pecan pie and *caffe latte* in the gallery café, each supposedly engrossed in a masterwork, while in fact keeping an eye on the scene.

For it is a scene, just as health clubs and gyms were in the 1980s. This is a meeting of minds rather than bodies, but the tension is palpable. Bookworms are cruising each other in classics, in poetry, in cooking, in new fiction. Others are just making comfortable conversation with those who haunt the same subsections.

Sharon Stein, 32, a scriptwriter, comes to the Broadway superstore about once a week and notes that she has had two offers of a cup of coffee from browsers in the drama section, "and a number of significant glances". For a single woman in New York — and the latest estimates show two single women to every man — it is not easy out there, and making friends in a bookshop conveniently narrows the field."

The shop also feels much safer than clubs or blind dates, she says. "In singles' bars there's too much pressure. It's a meat market and you have to dress up, but with a bookstore you know he can read, which is always useful in a guy; you know he likes books; and, if you meet him in a specific section, you know you've got something in common," says Ms Stein. "I look at it like this: if you want a man who drinks, go to a bar. If you want a man who reads go to a bookstore."

In the Chelsea shop, Joanne McQuillan, 29, a medical researcher, favours the poetry section in her search for a sensitive man. "Anyone reading Walt Whitman is always a good bet," she says.

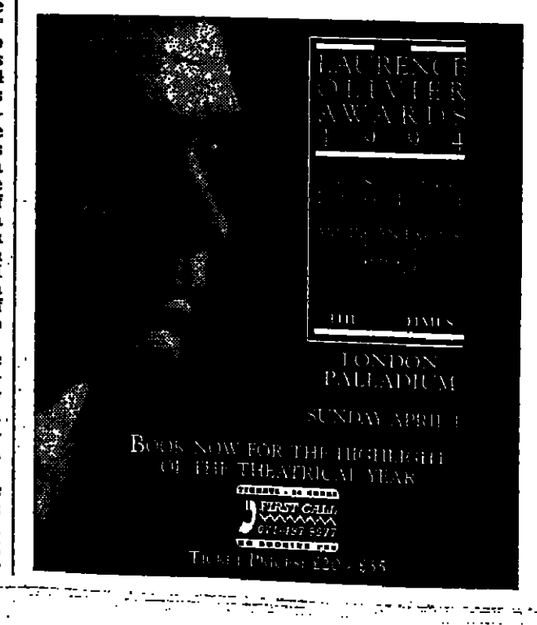
"We provide a social service as well as a literary one," says a Barnes & Noble spokesman, by which he means reading and lectures rather than dating. "We're as much a community centre as a retail store."

There are readings, debates and concerts for adults, and the shop gives over space in the café to reading groups — people who read the same book every month and then meet to discuss it together.

As the punters flock to the superstores so the bankers of Wall Street are advising their clients to invest in the book explosion.

Words like "generate high traffic with heavy impulse buying" pepper their reports, along with "aggressive advertising... and other community events". According to Morgan Stanley, the term for such megastores, which may put a few speciality shops out of business, is "category killers with style".

This matters little to the patrons who cannot resist the human and literary cornucopia of the superstore which perfectly combines the feeling of a long warm afternoon in the university library with that panacea for all ills, retail therapy.



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Let your heart rule your head

More benefits of red wine



DR THOMAS STUTTAFORD

In 1992 *The Lancet* suggested that having two to three alcoholic drinks a day could reduce the risk of heart disease by 40 per cent. Not only do moderate drinkers experience fewer heart attacks, but if they have one it is less likely to be fatal.

The scientific evidence of the cardio protective effect of alcohol is now accepted — but the reason why alcohol cuts the incidents of coronary atheroma (the furring up of the heart's arteries) is still being investigated as is the varying ability of the different types of drink to achieve this.

More than 20 years ago French scientists claimed that of all drinks red wine was the most effective in preventing cardiovascular disease. Contrary to expectations, research work in Cardiff showed that the French were not merely supporting their export trade but had hit on a scientific truth, the evidence for which continues to grow.

Pulse magazine reports that at the recent meeting of the American College of Cardiologists in Wisconsin it was demonstrated that two glasses of red wine taken by a 9½ stone person, or three for somebody over 13 stone, had, within half-an-hour, a marked effect on blood clotting times. It took 8 per cent longer for blood to clot, and platelet aggregation (the sticking together of clotting particles) was decreased by 11 per cent.

Red wine appears to work more efficiently than white wine or other alcoholic drinks. After drinking red wine changes in the clotting mechanism occurred at about a third of the blood alcohol concentration needed to achieve the same effect if white wine, or other drinks had been taken instead.

The French have isolated an anti-oxident, quercetin, found in red wine which acts independently from other substances in the wine, and even from the effect of the alcohol itself. research is looking at other constituents as well as quercetin,which might inhibit the formation of clots.

Neck injuries are commonplace in car crashes, but their treatment is disputed. **Aileen Ballantyne** reports

Scourge of the whiplash

When we get into a car, most of us are extremely careful to fasten our seatbelts. We then completely fail to give even a second thought to the position of the headrest — yet that headrest is our protection against one of the most common consequences of all road accidents: whiplash, which affects tens of thousands of people in Britain every year.

An injury to the neck can cause a wide range of problems — some of which may only emerge months or years after the original accident. These include restricted mobility and flexibility, facial pain, ringing in the ears, and numbness in arms and hands.

For more than two years, the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy has been campaigning for more awareness of the correct position of headrests. If properly positioned, physiotherapists argue, headrests can be extremely effective in preventing whiplash injury. Mrs Jane Langley, a spokeswoman for the society, points out that physiotherapists are constantly frustrated when, as they sit in traffic, they see dozens of cars around them with poorly adjusted headrests.

"If you have your headrest adjusted too low you will still get damage to your spine, just as you would if you did not have a headrest at all — all that will happen is that you will get the damage higher up than you would have done without a headrest," she says.

To prevent whiplash injuries, the society recommends that motorists and passengers carefully check their headrest to see that the bottom of it is level with the top of their ears. This may be a nuisance if you are accepting a lift in someone else's car, but you should remember that whiplash injuries are more common in passengers than in drivers because they are not braced for the bump, as the driver often is.

Mrs Heather McKibin is a physiotherapist practising in Bath who has just completed an MSc research project, funded by the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council, on whiplash injuries. She says that about 90 per cent of whiplash injuries in cars are caused when the vehicle is hit from behind. One of the most common collisions is to be "rear-ended" while waiting to go on to a roundabout, she says. "In a whiplash injury the trunk and the shoulders get thrown forwards and the head is relatively left behind, then it "whips" forward. The purpose of the headrest is to ensure that, in a collision, the head and the trunk move as one."



Headrests: often wrongly adjusted

Whiplash injuries — which describe any injury in which the neck is hyper-extended when it is jerked backwards, then forwards — can also occur in other circumstances, such as when a parent shakes a child too vigorously in temper, in a rugby scrum or falling off a horse. According to a recently published research study at the Boston University School of Medicine involving 37 schoolchildren, whiplash can even be caused, to a mild degree, by a particularly arduous "head banging" session to heavy metal music in which the head is banged on to the neck violently, with a significant "snap" at the end of each motion.

But by far the most common cause of whiplash is the minor car accident. The injuries are rarely severe enough to cause loss of consciousness, although the victim may feel dazed. Over the next few hours, the typical symptoms of whiplash develop, including pain, stiffness and reduced ability to move the neck. These symptoms tend to increase in severity in the next few days.

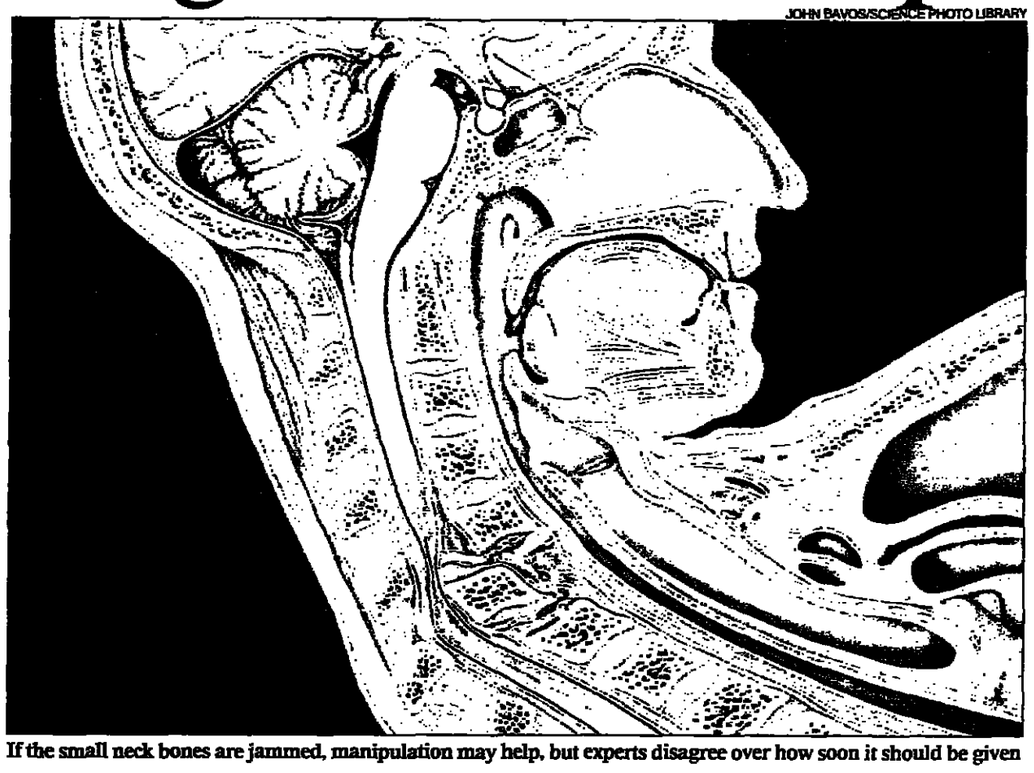
But while there is widespread agreement on prevention and causes of this common injury, there is disagreement among doctors and other specialists on the best methods of treating such injuries. Such disagreements have recently been highlighted by correspondence in the doctor's weekly magazine, *General Practitioner*. Following a training article on the injury in the magazine, Dr John Stenning, from Peterborough, questions the advice given on the need for physiotherapy for a whiplash injury if symptoms last more than a week. He particularly questions such advice if it is a more severe "rotational" injury, which occurs when a driver whose car is hit from behind is looking to the left or right at the time of the crash.

"As the pathology is damage to the ligament, I am not sure physiotherapy is the right answer, especially in the early stages," he says in a letter. "It takes three months for soft tissues to heal . . . rest in a collar until the pain has gone or for a minimum of three months is preferable."

But Dr Allan Harris, a GP from Wigginton Health Centre, York, takes an entirely different view. Prolonged immobilisation, he argues, is not good management. "At our practice we have a fairly aggressive approach to these injuries" he says. In a letter to the journal, countering many of Dr Stenning's arguments, he says he has found that patients who have not had early treatment are "disabled with pain and loss of function". "Three months in a cervical collar is far too long . . . Similarly, to wear the collar until the pain eases can be far too long. Soft collars promote bad posture and encourage dependence."

Dr Harris says there is growing evidence that early treatment, including ultrasound and physiotherapy exercises to re-educate the neck muscles, gives the sufferer a better chance of a good recovery. He recommends a period of only three to four days in a cervical collar and pain relief in the form of non steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs.

Wearing a collar too long is a huge temptation for many sufferers, he says, because they find they get relief from them and nobody tells them to take them off.



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If the small neck bones are jammed, manipulation may help, but experts disagree over how soon it should be given

The problem with this is that the collar can cause the wearer to adopt an "ape-like" posture because the neck muscles become weak and the head drops forward.

His views are supported by Dr Peter Newman, consultant neurologist at Middlesbrough General Hospital, who says it is necessary to strike a fine balance between immobilising the neck for the first day or two when the soft tissues are bruised, and then, after that, introducing gentle exercise to prevent long-term stiffness.

"In an ideal world everyone who has a significant whiplash injury should be seen by a physiotherapist, but physiotherapy is a resource which is in very short supply," he says.

If, for example, the facet joints (the small bones at the back of the neck) have become jammed as a result of the impact, gentle manipulation by a registered chiropractor, chartered physiotherapist or doctor trained in manipulation may make all the difference. Mr Matthew Bennett, of the British Chiropractic Association, says that very gentle manipulation of the spine in the early stages of a whiplash injury after a short period of rest in a collar for the first few days, is a good way to ensure early mobility.

But physiotherapists, such as Mrs McKibin, would prefer no manipulation, however gentle, to take place until a later stage, arguing that because large numbers of joints have been displaced by a whiplash injury, further movement of joints by manipulation, too early, is unlikely to be helpful.

Dr Newman pointed out, in an article published in the *British Medical Journal* more than three years ago, that there was "no clear consensus on the treatment of acute neck sprain, which ranges from prescribing a rolled-up newspaper for neck support to a carefully supervised programme of intensive treatment".

Since then, it seems, little has changed — but in the absence of a consensus it is always well worth making sure you see someone with as much experience as possible of your particular problem — in other words someone with a special interest in musco-skeletal problems.

No matter what their specialty, if practitioners see only a small number of whiplash injuries every year, they are unlikely to have the expertise to ensure that a minor injury does not leave you with unnecessary long-term complicatons.

Must we always try to keep very premature infants alive?

Babies on a borderline

Martin is blind, epileptic, immobile, speechless and scarcely aware of what is going on around him. His parents have accepted £1.2 million in settlement of their claim against the obstetricians and midwives at their local hospital, whom they hold responsible for his disabilities.

Not surprisingly, they have harsh words for the doctors and nurses who delivered him. They have nothing but praise for the paediatric team who breathed life into their apparently stillborn son and then performed daily technical miracles to keep him alive during his first fragile weeks.

I do not share their admiration for my fellow doctors. Experience has taught paediatricians that if a baby shows no sign of responding to artificial ventilation and heart massage for 30 minutes, the chance of survival with an intact brain is negligible. Such was the case with Martin.

But what are doctors in this situation to do? In Scotland, in 1987, one was accused of failing to resuscitate a newborn baby that he considered incapable of living because of extreme prematurity. He was acquitted, although criticised for his lack of communication skills.

The law is vague on the subject. It can hardly be anything else now that there is no formal limit on the number of weeks at which a legal abortion can be carried out. So most of us have adopted the time-honoured practice of flying by the seat of our pants.

This seems no longer acceptable to those who look over our shoulders: politicians, media commentators and pressure groups demand defined standards of care. The royal colleges responsible for doctors' education, the British Medical Association as protectors of their interests and the defence organisations who may foot the bill for errors, are all getting in on the act. NHS hospital trusts have appointed directors of quality control who have a duty to demonstrate to those who place contracts for health care that agreed standards of practice are in place. It can only be a matter of time before the NHS management executive pronounces on this issue.

Twenty years ago it was easy. If a baby was born at 28 weeks — 12 weeks early — he or she was regarded as so unlikely to survive that there was no obligation to intervene. This was underpinned by the law, which regarded such babies — if they did not breathe — not as stillborn but as having miscarried. Now, with increasing technical abilities of neonatal specialists, intensive care can be reasonably offered down to 24 weeks or even less.

There is, as always, a price to pay. The likelihood of survival at 24 weeks if cared for in a top-class neonatal intensive care unit is about 40 per cent. But one in two of the survivors has a moderate or severe handicap.

In response to all these pressures, colleagues at my hospital (paediatricians, obstetricians, midwives and neonatal nurses) got together to produce guidelines. We quickly faced both ethical and practical difficulties.

The starting point was clear enough: any baby of 24 weeks gestation or more would be resuscitated if there was inadequate circulation or breathing at delivery. But how could we be sure of their dates? Many women are uncertain when they had their last period and even if they had been examined by ultrasound scan, there might be a week or two leeway. So, perhaps it would be best if our limit were 22 weeks? However, many women arriving in labour so early in their pregnancy would be regarded as miscarrying and so go to a gynaecology ward not a maternity unit. Neither resuscitators nor equipment would be available.

In any case, if a baby is born so prematurely, it would be better for it to come into the world at a major regional centre with a neonatal intensive care unit, than at a district maternity hospital. Women in labour at 24 weeks should be redirected, we said, but following the logic of our approach, so would women apparently miscarrying at 22 weeks. An obstetrician commented that he would be criticised for sending such patients to suffer the loneliness and bereavement of miscarriage far from home, just because of a remote possibility of a viable baby.

> One in two of the survivors will have a moderate or severe handicap

What if the woman arrived, on the verge of delivery, at an unknown number of weeks' gestation but likely to be on the borderline for survival? One approach, which we have written into our guidelines, is to resuscitate if the baby weighs more than 500 grams (approximating to 23 weeks). But would we be able to stick to our guns if the baby turned out to weigh 490 grams?

It was a lot easier when one relied on common sense tempered by experience. Protocols and policies may satisfy planners, purchasers, commentators and lawyers (nobody yet seems to have asked mothers). But if fewer children are to suffer as Martin has, then it is time to have the debate on where to draw the line.

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Why London has lost faith in the Tories

Tony Travers explains why the last Conservative bastion is on the electoral brink

London is the Conservatives' last local government bastion. In the capital, the party runs 11 boroughs outright and heads minority administrations in two more. Much hangs on the forthcoming local government elections when the 32 boroughs have all-out polls.

Today's MORI poll in *The Times* shows the Government running well behind the Labour Party during the first quarter of 1994. But the news from London is even worse for the Tories in the capital: not only are they running well behind Labour, but their support in the capital is continuing to weaken.

The reasons for the Tories' apparent low and falling support probably include the impact of the recession, which has left unemployment of more than 10 per cent in traditionally prosperous places such as Croydon, Enfield and Redbridge. Until the late 1980s, London had had unemployment below the national average ever since records began. Now several of its boroughs are poor enough to qualify for European Union aid.

Worse still, the impact of the recession is also still being felt by many householders whose homes are worth less than they bought them during the late-1980s. Hesitant rises in prices have been nowhere near sufficient to rid the capital's aspirant middle classes of the burden of negative equity. Morale-sapping indecision over the future of London's famous hospitals and the abject condition of the clapped-out tube system (both of which are the direct responsibility of the Conservative Government) will hardly have generated middle-class enthusiasm for Tory voting.

Health service reform may have been necessary, but the highly publicised dithering about which hospitals to close and which to keep open has left virtually all of the capital's medical staff and population feeling threatened.

The Government argues that it has spent more on the Underground than its predecessors. Moreover, 30 years of under-investment must be made good. Such excuses cut no ice with commuters stuck (as they were once again last week) in the darkened tunnels or on wind-swept platforms. The antiquity and squalor of the Northern Line, a kind of nightmare theme park, must be worth tens of thousands of votes to the opposition parties.

Opinion polls also continue to suggest that Londoners want some form of "voice" or elected authority to represent their needs. The Government rejects such aspirations out of hand. Whether or not a new city government for the capital would change anything is a matter of opinion. But in the absence of an effective action to give London a way of articulating its own destiny, the opposition has been able to lay the blame for every difficulty of city life at the feet of a failed government system.

The capital certainly has more than its share of quangoid government. Unlike the rest of Britain, public transport, strategic land use planning and the police are all run by central government. London has more of its local government in Whitehall than any other part of the country except Northern Ireland. Public accountability is inevitably reduced.

The table below shows support — in London only — for the three major parties in today's *MORI poll, along with* the comparable figure for April 1990 and the 1990 borough election result.

On the basis of today's poll evidence, the Conservatives look certain to be squeezed badly on May 5, with swings both to Labour and the Liberal Democrats, suggesting that the Government is increasingly vulnerable to Lib Dem advances in London as well as in the West Country and East Anglia. Tory boroughs including Ealing, Enfield and Croydon could slip to Labour control. Harrow, Bexley, Redbridge and Barnet would also move to no overall control if there is a collapse of the Tory vote. Brent, where there is a Tory minority administration, seems likely to fall to Labour, though Brent politics are anything but predictable.

> The Tories could be pushed into third place in London

The Liberal Democrats have reasonable hopes of picking up Kingston, needing a tiny swing to push the borough to no overall control. The party has been doing very well in by-elections in Lambeth and Southwark, both of which are currently Labour-held. A big surge in Lib Dem voting could push both to no overall control, and could conceivably allow the Liberals to take control.

The Conservatives are facing heavy losses in London, both of seats and boroughs. It is just conceivable that the Conservatives could be pushed into third place in London. The Lib Dems might even control more boroughs than the Conservatives. Labour will make net gains. How such an ignominious result would affect the Tories' chances in the European elections, or the prime minister's future is difficult to say. But it would barely help either cause. On May 6, the Conservatives will know whether the last bastion has fallen.

Major parties	MORI 1st Q 1990	1990 borough result	MORI 1st Q 1994
Conservative	36	38	26
Labour	49	38	52
Liberal Democrats	10	15	20

(per cent support for major parties)

Muddled American policy continues to obstruct progress in Bosnia, says **Lawrence Freedman**

After the strikes, it's all up in the air

The UN operation in Bosnia is now more delicately poised than it has been at any time since the breakthroughs of last February. This is the first unambiguous use of force by Nato against Serb positions. The Serbs denied that the termination of the bombardment of Sarajevo in February was significantly influenced by Nato's ultimatum on air strikes. They also denied that the aircraft shot down by American aircraft enforcing the no-fly zone last month were anything to do with them. In the case of the two limited air strikes against Serb forces attacking Gorazde on Sunday and Monday there is no basis for plausible denial and none has been attempted.

Unfortunately the Americans realised rather belatedly that their reputation was engaged in the fighting around Gorazde. At the end of last month Secretary of Defense William Perry observed that America had no intention of getting involved in this fighting. The equivocation was provided later by Secretary of State Warren Christopher who has learnt the hard way that clarity can be counterproductive in Bosnia. As it is, the Serbs may claim to have been misled, although the original UN resolution that declared the town a "safe zone" and upon which the air strikes was based was clear enough.

So far the air strikes have not stopped the Serbs' bombardment. Nato has shown that its forward spotters can pick out tanks for precision strikes. But its action thus far may have served as a warning rather than as a material impediment to the Serbs.

If the Serbs continue, therefore, Nato may be obliged to choose between punitive targets away from Gorazde (such as ammunition dumps and command centres) with the risk of escalating its involvement, or appearing ineffectual. The success of Nato's February ultimatum may have led to over-optimism about the efficiency of coercion.

First, successful coercion requires that political breakthroughs be reinforced on the ground. As before, the basic problem remains the insufficiency of available UN troops. The justification for the latest strikes was not the relief of Gorazde itself so much as the defence of UN observers in the town who were sharing the experience of Serbian artillery fire with the inhabitants. The logic of this doctrine is that the Serbs can ease the pressure now by holding fire rather than withdrawing from forward positions. It also implies that the mere presence of UN personnel could serve as a deterrent if, once they come into harm's way, air strikes immediately result.

To follow this doctrine consistently requires even more troops, because every "safe zone" will want a substantial contingent. Astonishingly the Americans have not only been unwilling to send their own troops to fill out the numbers but have imposed limits on how many others can send because they were unwilling to pay for them as part of their assessed UN contributions.

Second, coercion needs to be linked to an active diplomacy. The breakthroughs of the past two months depended not only on the injection of an unusual degree of credibility into Nato threats, but also on the engagement of America after a period in which it had been contributing little but a high moral stance. The main achievement was the peace deal between the Bosnian Croats and Muslims. That deal, however, made the problem of a general peace harder. The divide-and-rule policy which the Serbs had followed was no longer possible. Instead their opponents were forming their own coalition with resources now released for a spring offensive.

To ease Serb fears the Americans sought to work closely with the Russians. But their energies have been directed as much to securing a peace in Croatia as in Bosnia. Their objective has been to regularise the position of the secessionist Krajina Serbs as part of Croatia in return for Croatia respecting the rights of Serbs and other minorities. Bosnia is not susceptible to such a solution. The Serbs occupy 72 per cent of the country. They are prepared to hand some back in return for being allowed to go their own way in the rest of the country, but not enough to convince the Bosnian government.

The Serb assault on Gorazde was to warn the Muslims that future fighting will be hard, and to prepare a stronger bargaining position: Gorazde (or at least a road beside it) occupies a critical position in Serbian communications. The short-term issue is whether or not the pressure can be taken off Gorazde itself; but that still leaves hanging the longer-term issue of a peace settlement, and the position of the UN, in the event of fighting picking up again across a broad front. The impression remains that there is no strategy for concluding the Bosnian war, but that policy is opportunistic and reactive. The moment of truth which was feared at the time of the February ultimatum may turn out only to have been postponed.

A farce to make you weep

When the power of the critic is under discussion, beware the rampant ego



Roy Kinnear and Edward Petherbridge as the critics in Tom Stoppard's *The Real Inspector Hound*

Bernard Levin

If you see me with tears running down my face, do not jump to conclusions; my cat has not died, nor have I been told by the lawyers that I may not call the Home Secretary by the long list of epithets that I had assembled for the purpose, nor is it something so mundane as a grit in my eye — no, it is nothing more nor less than nostalgia, for once again, the theatre is complaining about the critics. Could I have failed to weep a dozen handkerchiefs wet when I heard the news?

The need for handkerchiefs has arisen this time because a kind of seminar has been held under the auspices of *The Guardian*, with the title "The Power of the Critic: disproportionate, exaggerated or essential?". Some kind of *rapporteur* was thought necessary, and the position went to Mr Doug Lucie, a playwright. I have seen only two of his plays — one was about John Clare, and, er, the other wasn't. (My hesitation comes from the fact that Mr Lucie writes plays which all, in one way or another, are about doing down the bourgeoisie — and very fierce he is in his determination to do them down, though they remain, alas, lamentably undoneddown — making it difficult to remember which is which.) Anyway, his position here is not directly as playwright, but as scourge of the theatre critics. (The *Evening Standard* carried a substantial chunk of the discussion, from which I took my theme.)

When *The Times* and its Sunday sister had their great shut-down (for almost a year) I had long been the theatre critic of *The Sunday Times*, but as the months wore on with plenty of plays and nowhere to write about them, the very idea of theatre criticism began to be uninteresting: after all, I had been a theatre critic twice before — first for the *Daily Express* and then for the *Daily Mail*. So I told Harry Evans (then Editor of *The Sunday Times*) that I would not come back to the job. From that day forth, I have never been a reviewer, but instead enjoyed the theatre without having to go to work immediately the curtain falls. Nevertheless, for many years I was one of the six judges of the *Evening Standard* theatre awards: I recall one hilarious judging evening when a three-three division over the best play — I was leading the pack for *Filumena* — was broken only because I kept my colleagues up till well after two in the morning, announcing that if necessary I would not let them go home for a week, whereupon one of the other side wearily gave in.

Enough of memories; we are here to discuss the theatre's critical theme of the theatre critics. On the theatre's side an august team has been fielded: Nicholas Wright of the National Theatre, together with Tim Pigott-Smith and David Thacker of the RSC. In the critics' slit-trench cower Jane Edwardes of *Time Out*, Michael Billington of *The Guardian*, and our own Benedict Nightingale. Mr Lucie bangs a metaphorical gavel, and we are off.

Now Mr Lucie is clearly a man of honour; so, I make no doubt, are the three thespians involved. Even the critics have rarely snatched a lollipop from a *very* small child. But the whole bundle of them, on the theatre's side as on the critics', are wasting their time, every minute of it — not because the argument cannot be resolved, but because of something quite different. It is the truth that is plain to see, but is never told — *never* — not by playwrights, not by actors, not by producers, nay, not even by programme-sellers, and, incredibly, the truth is never told by the critics either. That terrible truth-that-must-not-be-revealed is that week in and week out, month in and month out, year in and year out, at least 90 per cent of new plays are rubbish without a redeeming feature, *and everyone in and around the theatre knows that to be true.*

So when I gathered, in Mr Lucie's denunciation of the critics, that these terrible people "should always *read* a new play before seeing it", I doubled up with laughter not once but twice — first because of the amazing unlikelihood of the critics wasting their time in that manner, and second because of the sheer barminess of the notion, for any playwright with sense would, and I am sure does, recoil from such inevitable fixed notions among the critics on the night. Indeed, I recall that when I was a critic I was sometimes asked *not* to read the play first, and some playwrights whose new work was to be published contemporaneously held the copies back until the first-night curtain had fallen.

Mind you, in Mr Lucie's *sans peur et sans reproche* stance I scent a tiny touch of *parti pris*; in demanding prior readings among the critics, he slipped in a whine of his own, claiming that because on one occasion Mr Nightingale had not read his latest play before it was staged, Mr Nightingale had fallen into "the embarrassment of completely missing the point" of Mr Lucie's play. And I'll tell you something else while I'm about it: Mr Lucie may well have a real complaint about Mr Nightingale's treatment of his play, and if so Mr Nightingale will feel abashed. But it may never have occurred to Mr Lucie to entertain the thought that the problem might not have been that the play was over Mr Nightingale's head, but that it was so ill-constructed that neither Mr Nightingale nor William Shakespeare could make head or tail of it.

"If they ain't praisin' us, we ain't listenin'." That ancient rubric (I think it was born in Hollywood) is as fresh and true as ever. If you don't believe me, digest the following from Mr Lucie:

> The very placing of arts coverage in a newspaper is a statement of its worth in relation to the other components of the paper. The sainted *Guardian*, for instance, puts it right out of harm's way in the tabloid section, while most other papers I come into contact with see its value as residing chiefly in the "celebrity" angle.

And he still doesn't see the point! Very well, I shall show it to him.

The reason that most newspapers, even including the sainted *Guardian*, do not cry "Hold the front page!" when the critic's contribution appears (unless a famous actor has been arrested in the wings, or better still been shot dead on stage) is that the critic's contribution is not only a small one amid the many scores or even hundreds of columns, but is not one that often excites a large part of the readership. Mind: that does not mean *that* the critic's words are worthless, it only means that his place is a small one, and can never, or almost never, be any bigger. But the great, the crucial, the monumental difference between the critic and the stage is that the critic knows and understands that he is a small frog in a big pond, whereas the Lucies of the theatrical world are convinced that they were born to be huge frogs and to make a tremendous splash in every pond in the land, particularly the big ones.

"So what should the critics do?", asks Mr Lucie, and he answers his own question thus:

> I happen to believe, with Michael Billington, that they ought to be a storehouse of comparative experience. They should provide a framework for the continual assessment and reassessment of an art form in progress, providing playgoer and practitioner with a sense of the continuity of the process.

This is precisely the gibberish that my good friend Michael Billington himself began to utter when he went mad and stayed that way. He went mad because he has now been a theatre critic for — you won't believe this — *for twenty-three years* without a break. Now I was a critic for only a couple of years with the *Daily Express*, and not much longer with the *Mail*; I survived perhaps five years in the trade with *The Sunday Times*, though that stint, remember, did not demand an overnight review. What is more, there were breaks between the periods of servitude. Nevertheless, I was getting close to the funny farm when I finally got off the treadmill.

Come; if Mr Lucie had really understood what he was talking about when he weighed in on the subject of critics, he would have gathered that so far from looking out for opportunities to carve up the playwrights, particularly him, critics spend hours of their days on their knees (look at any critic's knees — all you see is horrible bruises and scabs) praying for something which is not entirely rubbish, and very, very rarely finding it.

Is it any wonder that Billington went mad? The only wonder is that he didn't do so long ago. I beg Mr Nightingale to get out before the twitches begin.

Joan's whizz-bang

FANS of Joan Littlewood will be reassured to know that the angry *grande dame* of workshop theatre has lost none of her fire. The iconoclastic director has just refused to grant the National Theatre permission to perform her best-known play *O What a Lovely War*. She would, she says, rather see the theatre demolished.

The National cannot say it wasn't warned. Last month, discussing her newly published autobiography *Joan's Book*, she described the organisation as "calcified theatre" and a place where she "wouldn't be seen dead".

O What a Lovely War, later turned into a film by Sir Richard Attenborough, was co-authored by Littlewood and staged at the Theatre Royal, Stratford East, in 1963. Since then it has been performed all over the world.

But not, it seems, at the National. Last month the theatre applied to Littlewood in the hope of producing the play in early autumn. When Littlewood issued a refusal through her agent, the director of the National, Richard Eyre, wrote to her in France begging her to reconsider, explaining that the play had inspired him to get into theatre in the first place.

The reply was short and to the point. Littlewood, he says, "courteously" thanked him for his letter, but replied that it would be better to "bomb that building". Her objections are, Eyre says, not only to the *building itself, which she* refers to privately as a "concrete mausoleum", but to the concept of state-funded theatre.

Eyre cannot hide his disappointment. "I am in a very odd position. I admire her, and that show, more than anything in the theatre. I have directed it three times. It's over 30 years since it has been seen in London. It is a wonderful piece of theatre."

Repro man

LORD Gowrie made his first public appearance as chairman of the Arts Council yesterday, at Coutts Bank in the Strand, where he launched the second David Cohen British Literature Prize. But he has yet to take up office in the physical sense. "I'm camping at the moment, as they're still decorating," he says.

After the painters have finished, however, Gowrie plans to make his mark by moving in a desk which he believes appropriate to the new post. "The original was designed by Her Majesty's Treasury for the deposed Emperor Napoleon when exiled in St Helena," he says. "But I couldn't afford the £40,000 or so it reached when it came up for sale at Sotheby's — so I got a copy made."

Fittingly for an Arts Council office, the desk is utilitarian. "They did not want any Imperialist trappings like gilt for an emperor in exile. It was, after all, designed by the Treasury." But unlike Napoleon's, Gowrie's was not paid for by the Treasury. Being a former minister of means these days, he paid for it himself.

● *ROBERT Harling, the veteran journalist who moved on last year after 36 years in the editor's chair at* House & Garden, *has a new job. He has been signed up by* Perspectives, *the architectural magazine backed and contributed to by the Prince of Wales. "Robert is writing about garden buildings and conservatories in the next issue," says Dan Cruickshank, the editor. "He's been in the business so long and knows as much as anyone. You can't keep him down — he's about 85, but he's still full of wonderful stories."*

DIARY

Whistle-blower

THE appointment of David Elleray, a Harrow housemaster, as this year's FA Cup final referee, has caused much scarf-waving and rattle-shaking on the hill. For it was an Old Harrovian, Charles W. Alcock, who invented the FA Cup, modelling it on Harrow's knockout competition. Not only that, but, from 1855 to 1859 Alcock was a student in Druries, the house that Elleray now heads.



Alcock joined the Football Association as secretary in 1870, accepting a salary only from 1887 until his retirement in 1895. The first FA Cup in 1872 was a comparatively quiet affair, with 15 clubs. Next month's final, Elleray realises, will be a rather noisier event, both at Wembley, where Chelsea will do battle with as yet undecided opponents, and in Druries. His boys take a keen interest, he says. "They should be glued to the television — if they're not playing cricket."

D-Day memory

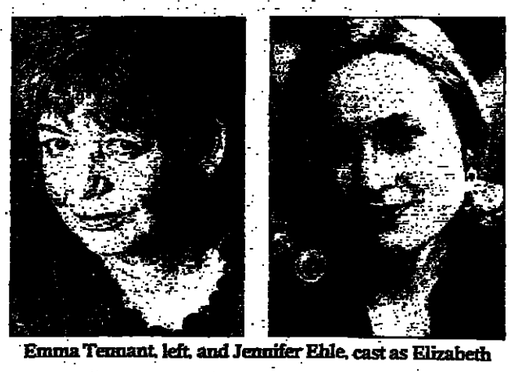
THE GERMANS will, after all, be represented in Britain during the D-Day anniversary celebrations. Oberst Hans von Luck, a Panzergrenadier commander in Normandy during the invasion, has been asked to contribute an article to the Imperial War Museum's official commemorative publication.

Von Luck's version of events on D-Day will be published in a glossy magazine by the museum on June 2, alongside contributions from John Major, as well as Presidents Clinton, Mitterrand and Yeltsin. There is no sign, however, that Chancellor Kohl has been asked to put pen to paper.

"Major von Luck was seven miles north of the invading airborne division at Caen and could have gone south to wipe out the glider-borne troops and the paras," says Barrie Pitt, the historian and editor of the magazine.

Thankfully, those orders never came: "We were told to stay where we were," says Von Luck. "We could have made things a bit tricky for the British if we had attacked because we would have reached the beach."

● *A MUST for all steam engine enthusiasts is being advertised in the latest edition of* Railway *magazine. A new compact disc, "Portrait of Steam", features such hits as "A Plymouth-Liverpool passenger train at Llanvihangel Summit". That is not to forget, of course, the ever-popular B-side, "A Liverpool-Plymouth passenger train at Llanvihangel Summit."*



Emma Tennant, left, and Jennifer Ehle, cast as Elizabeth

Wanted: country house, novel setting

IT IS not just the casting of D'Arcy that is causing the BBC headaches as it prepares to serialise *Pride and Prejudice*. The producers are having some difficulty finding a convincing Pemberley, the Derbyshire seat of the novel's dashing hero. The National Trust has been brought in to help in the hunt.

Austen's fictional mansion is said to have been influenced by Bowood House in Wiltshire, the 18th-century home of the Earl of Shelburne. But the main house at Bowood was demolished in 1955, so the BBC is having to look elsewhere. The question is just how grand does the house need to be?

Emma Tennant, whose sequel *Pemberley* was published last year, believes Chatsworth would be right. "I've always thought that was where it was meant to be."

So far, Kedleston Hall, near Derby, has been rejected and attention is turning to Lyme Park outside Stockport. But the BBC has at least made up its mind about one role. Jennifer Ehle, fondly remembered for her revealing performance as Calypso in the adaption of Mary Wesley's *Camomile Lawn*, will play Elizabeth Bennet.

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APRIL FOOLS

Gorazde's plight is a consequence of American wavering

At the eleventh hour, Nato air power is being used in Gorazde in a desperate attempt to rectify serious errors of judgment, both military and political. For more than a week, the military significance of the Bosnian Serbs' Operation Whirlwind was dismissed by everybody except the Bosnian government, which on April 1 addressed an urgent, and fruitless, appeal to the White House. Gorazde is a "safe area" under United Nations protection: Unprofor should have called in Nato when the offensive started, long before the Bosnian Serb forces were within shelling distance of the town centre. Nearly 1,000 Bosnian civilians have been killed or wounded as a consequence of this extraordinary miscalculation.

The charitable explanation for Lieutenant-General Sir Michael Rose's refusal to believe that Gorazde was in serious danger is that his eye was on the larger prize. He has spent most of the past week struggling to bring about an interim settlement between the Bosnian government and the Bosnian Serbs, complementing the federation agreement between the Muslims and Croats, which would stop the fighting throughout Bosnia.

Since last Wednesday, with the active involvement of President Clinton's envoy, Charles Redman, he has been mainly engaged in drafting and redrafting the terms of a truce which, he hoped, would finally meet the American conditions for joining the UN's peacekeeping operation on the ground. Even on Saturday, he still believed that this might be signed by tomorrow, even though an enormous gap remained between the truce without strings which the Bosnian Serbs were only too happy to accept, and the guaranteed Bosnian Serb retreat from conquered territory that the Bosnian government quite reasonably insists on.

Meanwhile, in an all-too-familiar pattern, the Bosnian Serbs talked peace and made war. For this, the Clinton Administration bears a heavy responsibility. America's insistence late last month on cutting by more than half the Secretary-General's request to deploy 8,500 more UN troops in Bosnia was folly enough. It was compounded when William Perry, the US Secretary of Defence, said bluntly and publicly a week ago that the US would not support the use of force to prevent the capture of Gorazde. As Mr Perry should have foreseen, Operation Whirlwind went into top gear the next day. It then took Warren Christopher, the Secretary of State, a full week to reassert America's unequivocal support for using Nato air power if requested by Unprofor.

Such equivocation has inflicted diplomatic as well as military damage. Russia, which has a strong national interest in Balkan peace, was working closely with American diplomats until Washington's attention seemed once again to be wandering. The drama of Nato's deployment at this late stage makes President Yeltsin's domestic balancing act tougher: hence the renewed demands for consultation. An automatic Nato response to the violation of the "safe area" would have created far less difficulty.

If the UN's credibility is to be restored, a mere ceasefire will now be insufficient. Compelling the Bosnian Serbs to withdraw when Gorazde is within their grasp will be extremely difficult; but withdraw they must, out of range of the entire enclave. The Americans must drop their opposition to adequate Unprofor reinforcements — General Rose should have been in a position to send troops to Gorazde when the fighting started. And Belgrade and Pale, which want and need a truce to neutralise the Muslim-Croat entente, must be left in no doubt that the broader territorial claims of the Bosnian government must be met. The West has come perilously close to losing the momentum for peace that the conjunction of force and diplomacy, sword and pen, had begun to achieve. The high ground must be regained.

A EUROPEAN BATTLEGROUND

Opposition parties may woo the middle classes from the Tories

To Conservatives back at Westminster after their Easter recess, today's MORI poll for *The Times* will come as an unwelcome jolt. It suggests that Labour could win three-quarters of the seats in June's Euro-elections, with the Tories and Liberal Democrats battling for a distant second place. Even if May's local election results can be presented as an improvement in the governing party's fortunes, disguising such a disaster in June will be difficult.

The difference between the two is the baseline from which they will be judged. The local seats were last fought in 1990 when the Conservatives were at a terribly low ebb. The Euro-elections were held the previous year, in June 1989, when the Tories were level-pegging with Labour in the polls. Still they lost 13 seats, to score 32 in all.

Today's evidence suggests a far worse showing. Assuming a uniform national swing, the Conservatives could be left with just 15 seats to Labour's 66 and the Liberal Democrats' three. Using a regional breakdown, however, which shows the centre party doing far better in the South-West, the Tories' share may fall to just eight seats, behind the Liberal Democrats on ten.

Doubtless this will induce short-term panic among Tory MPs, possibly even leading to the ousting of the Prime Minister. But longer term, the implications are just as interesting for the opposition parties. Liberal Democrats have always been hampered in general elections by two charges: that a vote for them is a wasted vote because they win so few seats; and that a vote for them simply lets in Labour. If they do win a respectable number of seats in June, these charges may lose some of their force.

The "wasted vote" argument rests on the premise that centre party support is so uniformly spread around the country that Liberal Democrat candidates tend to come second or third rather than first. With a first-past-the-post electoral system, parties with concentrated regional support do far better. If June's elections show that the centre party has won a regional stronghold in the South-West, and is capable of winning more than a few parliamentary seats there, voting for it will no longer look so wasteful.

Meanwhile Labour's return to relative respectability is good news for the Liberal Democrats. Disaffected former Conservatives, who could not have contemplated a Labour government led by Michael Foot or Neil Kinnock, might be intrigued by the prospect of a minority government headed by John Smith and moderated by reliance on a centre party holding the balance of power.

It is the possible defection of their natural allies that should most worry the Conservatives. Today's poll shows that the Tories' lead over Labour among the middle classes has dropped from 32 points at the last general election to just one point now. If they work in the private sector, they have been hit by recession; if in the public sector, by government policies such as market-testing. These voters feel more precarious than they have ever done before; worried about their jobs, their pensions, their health and their children's education.

Labour has won general elections only when it has converted a sizeable chunk of the middle classes to its cause; just as the Tories under Margaret Thatcher based their election victories on stealing much of Labour's natural constituency. The danger for the Conservatives, of which June's Euro-elections may be a portent, is that at the next general election, the opposition parties may mount a successful raid on the Tories' most reliable source of support. Good generals usually win by outflanking their enemies.

SCOTS SERMON HANDICAP

Preaching is a rhetorical genre that should not be kept short

The Church of Scotland today condemns boredom in worship as "a lethal sin". A report from its panel on worship uses stately language to discuss the place of the sermon in the new world of soundbite and briefest attention span. Fire-and-brimstone ministers of the past centuries would applaud its rhetoric, but not its minimalist message.

The Kirk is mistaken in its fashionable disparagement of the longer sermon. The most popular versions of this ancient oratorical genre on the radio have become so apologetically short that there is hardly time to drag in the compulsory topical reference before the weather forecast.

Length should be part of the educative function of sermons. They are reminders that we were not sent into this world entirely for pleasure, and that after even the weariest sermon comes Sunday lunch. Louis Bourdaloue, the greatest 17th-century French pulpit-orator, gave his eponym to a lady's comforter to be worn under the skirt for emergencies, when he had thundered on for too long.

The Rev. Heppenstall's sermon on brotherly love lasted for 45 minutes, provided he did not accidentally drop several pages of excursus. Alan Bennett's sermon in *Beyond the Fringe*, to the text of "And behold, Esau was an hairy man", compared life to a tin of the key, and in which there is always an irretrievable morsel left in the corner. It went on for an appropriately long time.

In its pursuit of brevity and relevance in sermons, the Church of Scotland is pandering to ephemeral modern fads. Preaching is one of the oldest vernacular forms in all languages, including Scottish. It has shaped the drama and rhetoric of speech. Medieval sermons are among the earliest examples of original English prose. From John Donne to Billy Graham and the rascally modern television evangelists, preachers have been putting the fear of God and the hyperbole of the word into their congregations. At suitable length.

As Martin Luther King preached at length and with the fuzziness of the true sermon: "How long? Not long, because no lie can live for ever. How long? Not long, because you will reap what you sow. How long? Not long, because the arm of the moral universe is long, but it bends towards justice." As long as it takes is the answer.

Length is immaterial to sermons, even in the Church of Scotland. Eloquence and the drama of the biblical phrases are what matter. And even truth. Sermons should combine intelligence with emotion. They need not be turned into advertising slogans. In spite of the 20th century, religion is still

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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More school sport, but only if teachers play the game

From the Head Master of Wallington County Grammar School

Sir, While welcoming the commitment of the Minister for Sport, Mr Iain Sproat, to school sport (report and leading article, April 8), I believe that five "curriculum" sports are too many.

While all boys coming to this school know how to play soccer, most need much nurture and coaching before they can play rugby to a reasonable standard. Rather than attempt to do both sports, Wallington specialises so that we can field nine rugby teams on a normal Saturday. Pupils who wish to play soccer competitively do so in Sunday leagues.

The minister has suggested additional payments to staff helping with a range of extra-curricular activities. This simple expedient will accomplish far more than legislation, provided it remains genuinely voluntary for those staff who choose to be involved in extra-curricular activities.

In recent months, the finances of this grant-maintained school have eased and governors have been able to pay expenses and a small honorarium to those colleagues who run teams with fixtures on Saturdays. They have done so freely for many years. However, extra-curricular activities are a fundamental part of the education offered at my school and the time given by staff in this way is worthy of recognition.

Yours faithfully,
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April 8.

From Mr David Lomas

Sir, The campaign by the Minister for Sport to breathe much-needed new life into school sport is to be applauded and is long overdue. In the view of the National Council for Schools' Sports, the most important resource in school sport is the teacher.

The negative response towards Mr Sproat's "leaked" plans from the National Union of Teachers (report, April 9) is understandable. Compulsory involvement of teachers is not the answer.

Means must be found to encourage teachers to assist in extra-curricular school sport and so to provide increased opportunities for children to participate with a sense of enjoyment and achievement in team and individual sports, both competitive and non-competitive. It is unfortunate that Mr Sproat's initiatives do not appear to be supported by the Department for Education.

Yours sincerely,
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April 6.

From Mr Stewart Reuben

Sir, Iain Sproat has initiated an important debate on team games in schools, but the implications are wider than this narrow aspect of our culture. Extra-curricular activities of all types have been greatly damaged in the last decade.

Professionalism can be defined as continuing until the job is finished. Teachers are now required to work a specific number of hours. Small wonder they are no longer interested in developing activities not on the rigid curriculum outside those hours. Yet, without exposure to a wide variety of different interests, how can anyone hope to choose those which will be of personal benefit?

Thus we have seen the mass destruction of a major facet of the quality of life of young people. Let us hope initiatives will now be developed to reverse this distressing trend.

Yours faithfully,
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From Mr Howard Lewis

Sir, Your leader, "Competitive sport has a place in every school", left me feeling more than a little depressed. I am a teacher. I am not "left-wing". I have no ideological barrier to competitive sport. I am a competitive games player. Once I was able to indulge my passion for games, with my pupils, as an extra-curricular activity.

Then came the national curriculum and my life is now an administrative nightmare. Even teaching would appear to be of secondary importance to the necessity to justify my professional judgments on my pupils' progress. I arrive in school at 8am and leave after 6pm, with a briefcase of work.

I would love to be released from the burdens of administration imposed by this Government and, with my pupils, be allowed the freedom to indulge my passion for sport. But, where oh where, Mr Sproat, or when oh when, Mr Patten, am I to find, or will I be given, the time?

Yours faithfully,
HOWARD P. LEWIS,
63 Beech Road,
Alresford, Hampshire.
April 8.

From Mr E. G. Abel

Sir, It is excellent that plans are afoot for the revival of school sport. How much better, though, in denser areas of population, to have pooled facilities, run by the private sector or trusts.

This would have many advantages, including greater utilisation of the facilities — thus enabling them to be better; new jobs, and use of skilled and enthusiastic coaches; no extra burden on teachers who might be unskilled and unenthusiastic in sport.

It must be true that many youngsters would benefit from greater physical exercise, challenge and the chance to do something well if they are not very academic.

Yours sincerely,
E. GUY ABEL,
56 Telford Avenue, SW2.
April 8.

From Mr Tom Williams

Sir, I do not enjoy contact sports and team games and prefer more sedentary competitive activities. I strongly recommend the charms of litigating against any school which allows my son to be assaulted as part of some government-approved exercise in "Strength Through Joy".

Should other parents take the same line, the Government may discover a renewed enthusiasm for the traditional values of running the schools as educational establishments and leaving my family to its own choice of recreational pursuit.

Yours faithfully,
T. C. WILLIAMS,
227a Richmond Road,
Twickenham, Middlesex.
April 8.

From Mr M. C. Kenyon

Sir, Regarding Iain Sproat's blueprint for the revival of school sport, what do politicians know about "winning modestly and losing gracefully"?

Yours faithfully,
M. C. KENYON,
68 Wentworth Road, Thorpe Hesley,
Rotherham, South Yorkshire.
April 8.

Worries at change in disability rules

From Professor Lindsay McLellan and others

Sir, We are writing to express our deep concern at the Government's proposals to alter the grounds on which benefits are paid to people who are unable to work because of continuing disability (report, "Medical claimants face tough new benefits test", and leading article, December 2, 1993; letter, December 7). The essence of these proposals is a belief that the capacity to undertake *any kind of work* can be defined by a medical test — to be introduced next April — that ignores the attributes, personality and circumstances of the disabled person, with certain exceptions.

There is no specific evidence to support this belief. The proposals are, in our considered opinion, fundamentally flawed, having no scientific or logical credibility. The reasons given for the proposed changes appear to us to be specious and disingenuous and we wish publicly to dissociate ourselves from them.

We believe that the proposed changes will increase the financial disadvantage currently experienced by people who are unable to work because of illness or disability and will seriously increase current inequities in the allocation of financial benefits.

We urge the Government to reconsider its plans, which we regard as prejudicial to the relationship between doctors and their patients and highly prejudicial to the interests of those whose disability has rendered them unable to obtain work.

Yours faithfully,
D. L. McLELLAN,
CAIRNS AITKEN (Edinburgh),
MICHAEL BARNES
(Newcastle upon Tyne),
ANNE CHAMBERLAIN (Leeds),
DAVID RUSHTON (London),
University of Southampton,
Rehabilitation Research Unit,
Level C, West Wing,
Southampton General Hospital,
Tremona Road, Southampton.
April 8.

Roads in Scotland

From Mr John A. Riddell-Webster

Sir, In his article, "Mr Major's phoney war" (March 30), Simon Jenkins accuses the EU of "currying favour with sub-national regions" and adds: "The bribes are already producing hundreds of miles of unnecessary roads in Scotland."

Whether you are prepared to patronise Scotland as a "sub-national region" or to view European support for the improvement of that country's infrastructure as a bribe rather than the just return of our own money depends on your political outlook.

What is indisputable is that this modernisation of Scotland's road network is long overdue. Now that European aid is admitted to be additional to the UK's block allocation to the Scottish Office, it is to be welcomed at a time when budgeting stringency has, in real terms, strictly reduced expenditure on roads.

European aid has made only a tiny impact to date but it will, I hope, be increasingly invested in roads which are not only necessary now but which have been, in some instances, sorely needed for years past.

Yours faithfully,
J. A. RIDDELL-WEBSTER
(Chairman),
Transport Action Scotland,
17 Royal Terrace, Glasgow.
April 5.

Jungle rescue aid

From Professor J. H. Turnbull

Sir, The ingenious jungle rescue aid described by Major John Graham (letter, April 1) calls for comment.

The use of "carbide" dampened with water would fill the signal balloon with acetylene, a gas only slightly lighter than air. To lift the balloon with its attached rope above the jungle canopy a more buoyant gas would almost certainly be required.

This could be achieved simply by inflating the balloon with hydrogen generated from moistened lithium hydride, more probably the operative chemical actually provided in the kit.

Yours sincerely,
J. H. TURNBULL,
Stoneycroft, Alvescot, Oxfordshire.
April 1.

Female of the species

From Vice Admiral Sir Roderick Macdonald

Sir, Just about 30 years ago a Royal Marine Commando team successfully climbed Mount Kinabalu (report and leading article, March 26; letter, April 1) up a precipitous side. The group photograph posed on the summit was almost spoiled by the simultaneous arrival up the tourist path of a Girl Guides' picnic party from Jesselton (now Kota Kinabalu).

Yours faithfully,
RODERICK MACDONALD
(Commander, Naval Forces Borneo, 1965-66),
Ollach, Braes, Isle of Skye.
April 2.

Letters should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be

Video 'nasties'

From the Director General of the British Video Association

Sir, Your leader today on the banning of videos suggests that David Alton's amendment to the Criminal Justice Bill, on which the Commons will vote tomorrow, would not outlaw apparently innocent video films, such as *Toad of Toad Hall*. I am afraid it will. The only way the video industry could comply with the law suggested by the amendment would be to stop selling or renting videos classified as 15 or 18. This would affect such films as *The Bodyguard*, *Chaplin*, *Pretty Woman* and, when released, *The Piano* and *Schindler's List*.

You rightly point out that there is public concern over the effects of excessively violent films. But my guess is that the public do not want to be deprived of the opportunity to view enjoyable 15 and 18 videos in their own homes. If successful, MPs who vote for David Alton's amendment will wake up on Wednesday morning and find they have done just that.

Yours faithfully,
LAVINIA CAREY
(Director General),
British Video Association,
22 Poland Street, W1.
April 11.

From Mr Mark Jowitt

Sir, Your leader points to the experience of other European countries, and then promptly dismisses it as irrelevant. What evidence do you have that "family bonds are stronger and home life is more cohesive" in other European countries?

If Britain really is so different in this respect, surely the central objective of that emotive debate should not consist in restricting choice even further: rather, it should consist in understanding why we are becoming a "sink culture", and why all our near neighbours appear to be more balanced than we are.

Yours,
MARK JOWITT,
Middle Farm, Horsleygate Lane,
Holmesfield, Sheffield.
April 11.

Pensions and pay

From Mr A. Sheldon

Sir, I thoroughly agree with N. G. Harris, DFC (letter, April 6), about the difference between the pension of the RAF VC and the huge payouts to servicewomen who get themselves pregnant.

Is there any reason why those women should not be made to pay back the amount spent on their service training to the appropriate department?

Yours faithfully,
A. SHELDON,
6 Kirkstead Gardens, Nottingham.

Not in vain after all?

From the Co-Chairmen of the Women's Campaign for Soviet Jewry

Sir, Looking at today's Russia and remembering his work for Soviet Jews, Bernard Levin asks (March 29): "Was it really all in vain?" At the risk of proving that we are the optimists he described us, we would deny the justification for his "implacable despair".

In Israel there are more than three quarters of a million ex-Soviet Jews living independent lives as Jews with control over their future. Their friends and relations remaining in the former Soviet Union are, for the present at least, able, with very few exceptions, to emigrate to Israel and we hope that they will do so with the least possible delay.

It is only natural that the Russians, who have never enjoyed political freedom, should feel nostalgia for the communist certainties of the past and, with the ultra-nationalists waiting in the wings, the situation is volatile to an alarming degree.

Optimists we may be, but Russia is indeed a case for alarm, if not yet for despair.

Yours faithfully,
RITA EKER,
MARGARET RIGAL,
Co-Chairmen,
Women's Campaign for Soviet Jewry,
Pannell House,
779-781 Finchley Road, NW11.
April 6.

Kiwis and Poms

From Dr Rob Buist

Sir, As a New Zealander who has recently emigrated to the United Kingdom, I have little sympathy for Jo Andrews, who moved in the opposite direction ("The cost of becoming a Kiwi", April 6).

At least she was informed of the medical requirements for entering New Zealand before travelling. My wife and I arrived at Heathrow after a 25-hour flight, with two small children, to have to join the chest X-ray queue.

At least Ms Andrews will be able to set up a bank account and have access to her own money within the same day. Insuring her car will not cost her an arm and a leg. Certainly her house won't be identical to all others in her street.

She will be able to buy a world-beating bottle of white wine for £5, or red for £10, and a meal at a five-star restaurant will cost her £15-£20 (plus wine). She now has a television set that works and it will receive significantly fewer Australian soap operas than mine does over here and at least she is spared *Don't Forget Your Toothbrush*.

Yours faithfully,
ROB BUIST,
14 Icknield Close,
St Albans, Hertfordshire.

Treasures of Iraq

From Mr Ben Ward

Sir, As a depressing postscript to your obituary (April 3) of the American archaeologist, Richard Starr, I must point out that many objects from his excavations at Yorgan Tepe (ancient Nuzi) in Iraq which were in the regional museum at Kirkuk have been stolen — a consequence of the upheavals created by the Gulf War.

The scale of looting of Iraq's regional museums (notably those at Kirkuk, Basra and Dihok) has been enormous. Two volumes of inventories of the stolen objects (including photographs) have been published by the American Association for Oriental Research in Baghdad and the British School of Archaeology in Iraq.

The objects come from all periods of Iraq's long and distinguished historical past: notable among them are cylinder seals from Nippur and Nineveh and Hellenistic figurines from the site of Seleucia on the Tigris.

The Iraqi department of antiquities and heritage has been diligent in itemising the stolen antiquities and alerting organisations such as the International Foundation for Art Research, the US Customs and Interpol. It is to be hoped that, if and when these items appear on the international art market, dealers and auction houses will make appropriate enquiries, establish their provenance and ensure that these culturally invaluable items will be returned to their true owners — the people of Iraq.

Yours faithfully,
BEN WARD
(Managing Editor, *International Journal of Cultural Property*),
53 Queens Grove, NW8.

Home thoughts

From Dr A. N. Eastaugh

Sir, I am sure the Bishop of Peterborough should leave his palace (report, March 23), but your articles (March 26, April 1) and the correspondence (April 1) paint it as an embarrassing white elephant, hindering the bishop's ministry. It need not be.

As the last of the "multitude of children" that filled "the empty bedrooms" (Valerie Grove interview) when my father was bishop in the early 1960s, I remember enlivening the arrival of visiting clerics with a gun which fired ping-pong balls from my bedroom window; meanwhile, my older sisters turned up the record player to regale them with the more explicit lyrics from *Hair*.

The family atmosphere and open house to all sorts and all ages were a real asset to my father's job and enriched his ministry. It is not just money the Church is short of but also bishops who have young families.

Yours,
ANDREW EASTAUGH,
South Cove House, Wrentham.

COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE
April 11: The Queen was represented by Lieutenant Colonel Sir John Miller (Extra Equerry) at the Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of Colonel Sir Michael Ansell which was held in St Michael's Church, Chester Square, London SW1, this afternoon.

The Duke of Edinburgh was represented by Major General Jack Reynolds.

The Prince of Wales was represented by Major General Patrick Brooking.

The Princess Royal was represented by the Hon Mrs Legge-Bourke.

The Duke and Duchess of Kent were represented by Mr Nicolas Adamson.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
April 11: The Duke of York this morning arrived at Heathrow Airport, London, from Los Angeles, United States of America.

Captain Neil Blair RN and Mr Geoffrey Crawford were in attendance.

Birthdays today

Mr Alan Ayckbourn, playwright, 55; Mr Bill Bryden, theatre director, 42; Miss Montserrat Caballé, opera singer, 61; Mr Brian Connell, writer and broadcaster, 78; Miss Elspet Gray, actress, 65; Mr H.R. Hewitt, former chairman, Johnson Matthey, 74; the Right Rev John T. Hughes, former Bishop to the Forces, 86; Mr Uwe Kitzinger, former president, Templeton College, Oxford, 66; the Earl of Limerick, 64; Mr A.W. Mabbs, archivist, 73; Mr Bryan Magee, writer, 64; Air Marshal Sir Harold Maguire, 82; Mr E.C. Meade, chartered accountant, 71; Dr Hilary Nicolle, educationist, 49; Mr Harald Penrose, test pilot and air historian, 90; Lady Ricketts, former chairman, National Association of Citizens' Advice Bureaux, 75; Mr George Robertson, MP, 48; Mrs Wendy Savage, obstetrician and gynaecologist, 59.

Meeting

Royal Over-Seas League
Dame Josephine Barnes was the speaker at a meeting of the Discussion Circle of the Royal Over-Seas League held last night at Over-Seas House, St James's. Miss Hazel Ellis presided.

Service dinner

Royal Engineers
Mr Geoffrey Blackburne-Kane presided at the 50th anniversary dinner of members of No 8 Royal Engineers Short Course, Cambridge (1944), held last night at Pembroke College, Cambridge. General Sir Hugh Beach was the principal guest and speaker. Major-General Peter Campbell also spoke.

Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists

The Court of Patrons of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists met in ordinary session on Thursday, April 7, 1994; the Patron of the College, HM Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was unable to attend. They invited members of the College Council and distinguished scientists to review the state of the art of obstetrics and gynaecology. After the meeting the Court dined at the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.

Receptions

HM Government
Lord Fraser of Carmyllie, QC, Minister of State at the Scottish Office, was host at a reception given by Her Majesty's Government last night at Edinburgh Castle for the World Federation of Occupational Therapists.

HM Government
Sir Hector Munro, Minister for Agriculture and the Environment at the Scottish Office, was host at a reception given by Her Majesty's Government last night at Edinburgh Castle for the National Fire Protection Association.

Dinner

Athenaeum
Viscount Midleton was the speaker at a talk dinner of the Athenaeum held last night at the club.

Durham University

Professor Tony Cockerill, Professor of Economics and Head of Manchester Business School, to be director of the university's business school.

Roman treasure hoard is bought by British Museum

Gardener receives reward of £1.75m

BY JOHN YOUNG

THE Hoxne Hoard, probably the finest collection of Roman treasures yet found in Britain, has been acquired for the nation at a cost of £1.75 million, it was announced yesterday. The collection of gold and silver coins, tableware, jewellery and ornaments will go on display at the British Museum next month.

The money, which has been raised through donations and with assistance from the National Heritage Memorial Fund and the National Art Collections Fund, will go to Eric Lawes, 60, a retired gardener of Denham, Suffolk, who discovered the hoard in November 1992. At the time he was using a metal detector to look for tools which had fallen off a tractor in a field on the Norfolk-Suffolk border.

In September last year an inquest jury at Lowestoft Crown Court, Suffolk, decided that the 14,780 items had been buried with the intention of recovery, as opposed to being lost. They were therefore declared to be treasure trove, entitling Mr Lawes to a reward equivalent to the market value.

The dates on the coins indicate that the hoard was buried some time after AD 408 during the Roman withdrawal from Britain. It is thought to have belonged to a wealthy Roman family, the Faustini, who evidently panicked at news of the approach of the marauding Saxons.

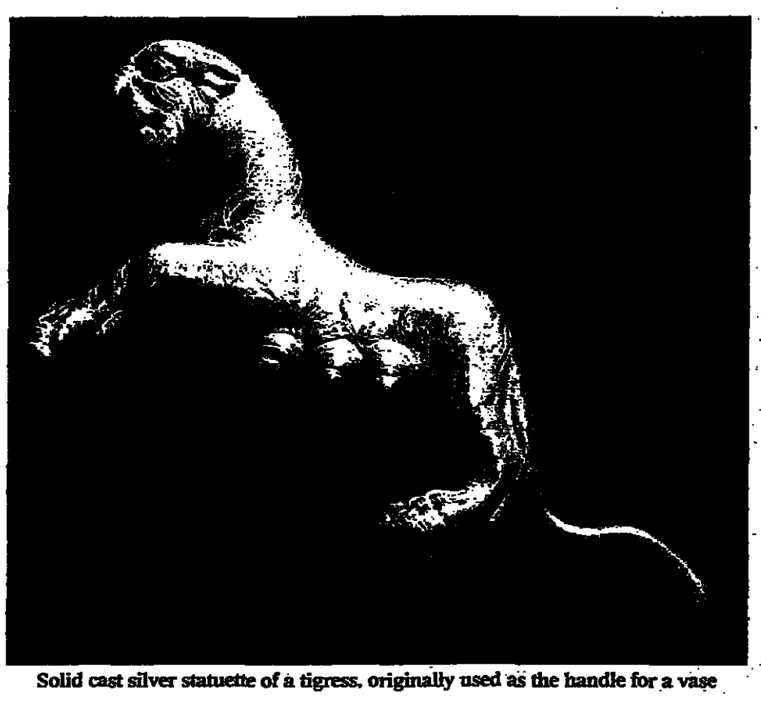
Mr Lawes told the inquest that, while looking for a hammer belonging to a local farmer, he had decided to follow a track between two rows of drillings. He found several coins close to the surface and then, acting on a strong signal from the detector, dug down about a foot and came across a number of gold coins on top of the other objects.

After filling two bags with coins, he went to find the farmer, Peter Watling, who called in the Suffolk Archaeological Unit. The two men agreed to share the reward.

The coins date from 14 imperial reigns, the latest that of Constantine III, who was elected "emperor" by his army in York in AD 407, at a time when the structures of Roman rule were crumbling.

The rest of the treasure comprises gold jewellery, silver spoons, ladles, bowls and other table decorations, together with the silver figures of a hare and hound, a goat or ibex and Hermes wrestling the giant Antaeus. The bases of these figures are perforated, suggesting that they were used as pepperpots.

A spokesman for the British Museum trustees said yesterday that they would be seeking the help of private companies and other organisations in repaying the "considerable" loan from the National Heritage Memorial Fund. The size of the loan was not disclosed.



Solid cast silver statuette of a tigress, originally used as the handle for a vase



From the hoard, a silver empress used as a pepperpot

Forthcoming marriages

Mr H.D.J. Daly and Miss C.F. Clarke
The engagement is announced between Henry, son of the late Mr James Daly and of Mrs James Daly, of Putley, Herefordshire, and Clarissa, daughter of Captain and Mrs Simon Clarke, of Shaftesbury, Dorset.

Mr I.R.D. Houghton and Miss M-E. Myers
The engagement is announced between Ian, son of Mr and Mrs Michael Houghton, of Ramsgate, Kent, and Mary-Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Timothy Myers, of Easton Royal, Wiltshire.

Mr A.G. Marshall and Miss R.C. Bigland
The engagement is announced, from Saigon, between Andrew, son of Mr and Mrs Robin Marshall, of Denham, Buckinghamshire, and Emma, eldest daughter of Mr Robert Bigland, of Chelsea, and Mrs Carole Bigland, of Albury Heath, Surrey.

Mr A.K. Rae and Miss F.M. Watt
The engagement is announced between Alistair, son of Mr J.E.K. Rae, of Alpraham, Cheshire and Mrs S.Z. de Ferranti, of Henbury, Cheshire, and Fiona, daughter of the late Mr W.O. Watt and of Mrs Watt, of Ingatestone, Essex.

Mr G.S. Raw and Ms H.J. Bowtell
The engagement is announced between Gavin, only son of Mr and Mrs G.K. Raw, of Harrogate, North Yorkshire, and Jayne, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs K. Ashcroft, of Harpenden, Hertfordshire.

Mr J.M.P.D. Stroyan and Lady Henrietta Dundas
The engagement is announced between Mark, son of His Honour Judge R.A.R. Stroyan, QC, and Mrs Stroyan, of Boreland, Perthshire, and Henrietta (Bunch), elder daughter of Marquess and Marchioness of Zetland, of Aske, Richmond, Yorkshire.

Mr A.J.G. Wilson and Miss L. Howchan
The engagement is announced between Alexander, son of Brigadier David Wilson, of Lamberhurst, Kent and the late Mrs Sylvia Wilson, and Lumyai, daughter of the late Mr Tuch Howchan and of Mrs Pang Howchan, of Chum Pae, Khon Kaen, Thailand.

Marriages

Mr E. Bringas Puente and Miss A. Slater
The marriage took place in Islington, London, on Saturday, April 9, between Mr Enrique Bringas Puente and Miss Anthea Slater.

Mr J.S.C. Fry and Miss K.A. King-Webster
A service of blessing took place on April 9, 1994, at St Paul's Walden Parish Church, Whitwell, Hertfordshire, following the marriage of John Fry and Annie King-Webster.

Mr P.A. Whelan and Miss K.F.L. Spence
The marriage took place on Saturday, April 9, 1994, at St Luke's Church, Chelsea, of Mr Paul Whelan, elder son of Mr and Mrs Vincent Whelan, of Stalybridge, Cheshire, to Miss Kate Spence, only daughter of Colonel and Mrs Mike Spence, of Bahrain.

Church news

Appointments

The Rev Robert Clarke, Senior Chaplain, Winchester Health Authority (Winchester) and a Chaplain to HM the Queen: has been seconded to the Hospital Chaplaincies Council, Church House, Westminster, as Secretary and Director of Training.

The Rev Stephen Cope, Curate, St Matthew, Northampton (Peterborough); to be Vicar of Rudston w. Boynton and Kilham (York).

The Rev Daniel Cozens: to be licensed as a Six Preacher of Canterbury Cathedral (Canterbury).

The Rev Geoffrey Davis, Vicar, Boughton Monceslea; to be a Six Preacher of Canterbury Cathedral (Canterbury).

The Rev Timothy Fawcett, permission to officiate, diocese Norwich: to be non-stipendiary Minister to the Rural Dean of Holt, same diocese.

The Rev Patrick Foreman, Rector, Hevingham, Hainford and Stratton Strawless: to be *also* Rural Dean of Ingworth (Norwich).

The Rev Raymond Gibson, Vicar, Freethorpe w. Wickhampton, Halvergate, Tunstall, Beighton w. Moulton: to be *also* Priest-in-charge, Limpenhoe and Reedham (Norwich).

The Rev Andrew Greany, Vicar, Hessle (York): to be the incumbent, Cambridge, St Mary the Less (Ely).

The Rev John Handley, Priest-in-charge, East w. West Harling and Bridgeham w. Roudham: to be *also* Priest-in-charge, Larling, Breetenham and Rushford (Norwich).

The Rev Michael Houghton, Vicar, Folkestone, St Peter: to be *also* an Honorary Canon of St Helena and Commissary for the Bishop of St Helena.

The Rev Peter Huckle, Curate, Great Yarmouth Team Ministry: to be Team Vicar, Great Yarmouth Team Ministry (Norwich).

The Rev John Illingworth, Rector, Weston Longville w. Morton-on-the-Hill and Great and Little Witchingham: to be *also* Priest-in-charge, Alderford, Attlebridge and Swannington (Norwich).

The Rev David Jones, Incumbent, Haschurch and Weston Lullingfield w. Hordley, and Rural Dean of Ellesmere: to be *also* Priest-in-charge, Criftins by Ellesmere in plurality, w. Dudleston (Lichfield).

The Rev Neville Kent, Team Rector, Worle Team Ministry; to be *also* Prebendary of Buckland Dinham (Bath Wells).

The Rev Robin Lodge, Curate, Calne w. Blackland (Salisbury): to be Team Vicar, Wellington and District Team Ministry (Bath and Wells)

The Rev Canon Michael McLean, formerly Residentiary Canon of Norwich Cathedral: to be a Canon Emeritus of Norwich Cathedral (Norwich).

The Rev Barbara Mosse, permission to officiate, diocese Chichester: to be *also part-time* Community Mental Health Chaplain in the Fareham/Gosport area (Portsmouth).

The Rev Anne Netherwood, Deacon (NSM) Criftins by Ellesmere in plurality w. Dudleston, and the parish of Welsh Frankton: to be *Resident Minister, Criftins by* Ellesmere in plurality w. Dudleston, and the parish of Welsh Frankton (Lichfield).

The Rev Jonathan Roberts, National Youth Officer, Board of Education, Church House, Westminster; to be Priest-in-charge, *Holy Trinity, Washington* (Durham).

The Rev Elizabeth Shearcroft: to be full-time Chaplain for the Thanet Healthcare Trust (Canterbury).

The Rev Henry Settimba, Curate-in-Charge, Forest Gate, All Saints: to be Priest-in-charge, Forest Gate, All Saints (Chelmsford).

The Rev John Simpson, Curate, Hopton w. Corton: to be Priest-in-charge, Hopton w. Corton (Norwich)

Royal engagements

The Queen, as Patron of the Cinema and Television Benevolent Fund, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, will open the new Woolf bungalows at the fund's old people's home, Glebelands, Wokingham, at 3.00.

The Duke of York, as Patron of the *SS Great Britain* project, will visit *SS Great Britain* at Great Western Dock, Gas Ferry Road, Bristol, at 11.30; as Admiral, will visit the Sea Cadets at Thornbury at 2.30; and will attend a Golf Foundation dinner at the Ritz Hotel at 7.30.

The Princess Royal, as President of the Save the Children Fund, will attend a reception at the Bank of England at 6.30 to launch Children in Cities 1994.

Princess Margaret will visit St Margaret's Church of England Youth Centre at Prestwich, Manchester, at 3.00; will open the Northern Ballet School's new theatre at Oxford Road, Manchester, at 7.00 and, as President of the NSPCC, will attend a performance by the school in aid of the society.

The Duke of Gloucester, as Patron of the Westminster Society, will attend the annual meeting at the Royal United Services Institute for Defence Studies at 5.55.

The Duke of Kent, as Vice-Chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, will attend the language awards at BAFTA at 5.50.

Princess Alexandra, as Patron of the National Association for Mental Health, will open the MIND Centre at 42 Saturday Market, Beverley, at 2.00; as Patron of the Alzheimer's Disease Society, will visit the Hull and East Yorkshire branch office at Centre 88, Saner Street, Hull, at 3.10; and will open the Glanford Brigg generating station of the Yorkshire Electricity Group at Scawby Brook, Brigg, South Humberside, at 4.25.

Latest wills

Mr Ralph William Downes, of London SW3, for more than 40 years organist at the Brompton Oratory and designer and curator of the 1954 organ in the Royal Festival Hall, left estate valued at £165,483 net.

Recent estates include (net, before tax paid):

Mrs Yvonne Denise Elizabeth Wigan Hirschberg, of Stokenham, Kingsbridge, Devon ..... £992,309.

Mrs Nell Barbara Knox, of Folkestone, Kent, £539,000.

Mrs Marjorie Frances Meighan, of Chesham Bois, Bucks £565,998.

Mr Gordon Roy Mills, of Rye Harbour, East Sussex .... £705,032.

Mr John Patrick Quill, of Shenfield, Essex ..... £512,494.

Mrs Georgina Mary Wallis Sunley, of Hardingstone, Northamptonshire ..... £991,907.

Mr Eric Harwin Travers, of Hockley, Essex ..... £604,352.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Giuseppe Tartini, composer, Istria, 1692; George Clint, portrait painter, London, 1770; Edward Bird, painter, Wolverhampton, 1772; John George Lambton, 1st Earl of Durham, statesman, London, 1792; Alexander Ostrovsky, dramatist, Moscow, 1823.

DEATHS: Boris Godunov, Tsar of Russia 1598-1605, Moscow, 1605; William Kent, architect and landscape gardener, London, 1748; Claude Prosper Crébillon, novelist, Paris, 1777; Pietro Metastasio, poet and dramatist, Vienna, 1782; Charles Burney, music historian and composer, London, 1814; Charles-Joseph Messier, astronomer, Paris, 1817; Feodor Chaliapin, bass singer and actor, Paris, 1938; Franklin D. Roosevelt, 32nd American President 1933-45, Warm Springs, Georgia, 1945; Antoine Pevsner, sculptor, Paris, 1962; Joe Louis, the "Brown Bomber", world heavyweight boxing champion 1937-48, Las Vegas, 1981; Alan Stewart Paton, writer, Durban, 1988; Sugar Ray Robinson, boxer, Culver City, California, 1989.

The Union Jack became England's official flag, 1606.

The American Civil War began with the siege of Fort Sumter, South Carolina, 1861.

Vice-President Harry S. Truman succeeded Roosevelt as American president, 1945.

Yuri Gagarin of the USSR made the first successful flight into space in *Vostok I*, 1961.

Appointment

Robert William Mullis to be joint district judge for the district of the Bow County Court from May 3.

Appointments in the Forces

Royal Air Force

AIR COMMODORE: B C McCandless - to HQ LC 4.4.94.

GROUP CAPTAIN: R A Charles - to HQ PTC 30.3.94; T R Jones - to HQ PTC 30.3.94; A L Terrett - to HQ LC 1.4.94; A M J O'Neill - to DHSA Yeovilton 1.4.94; M L Hawkins - to HQ LC 1.4.94; A I B Beedie - to MoD 4.4.94.

WING COMMANDER: J H Easton - to HQ Afcent RAFE 21.3.94; G T Scard - to DUK Joint Warfare 21.3.94; R J Cassady - to SHAPE 21.3.94; B G Benstead - to HQ LC 1.4.94; F E Fisher - to HQ PTC 1.4.94; P Mitchell - to HQ PTC 1.4.94; J R Patterson - to HQ II Gp B Priory 1.4.94; D M Rait - to HQ LC 1.4.94; B J Stokes - to HQ PTC 1.4.94; M S Taylor - to HQ LC 1.4.94.

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Our help is in the name of the Lord, maker of heaven and earth.
Psalm 124 : 8 (REB)

Wednesday April 6th

BIRTHS

BOOTHBY - On April 11th, at the Wellington Hospital, to Chris and Caroline (née Cronin) a daughter, Chloe Elizabeth, a sister for Sam

BOOTH - On Monday March 28th 1994 to Oona and Peter, a son, Jacob James Gilbert.

CAMTLAY - On April 8th, 1994, at The Chelsea and Westminster Hospital, to Joanne (née Tattersall) and Piers, a daughter, Emily Rose, a sister for George.

CHAPPLE - On April 9th, to Alice (née Munnelley) and Nick, a son, Ben.

FRICKS - On April 9th, 1994 in Zimbabwe to Alice (née Leigh) and Hugo, a daughter.

FRIEND - On April 7th, at the Portland Hospital, to Toni (née Brennan) and Tony, a son, John Sebastian Goodwin, a brother for Tom and William.

HAINES - On April 7th 1994 to Suzanna (née Spence) and Jeremy, a beautiful son, Max Robert Harvey.

HARFORD - On 8th April 1994 in Hamburg, to Tina (née Courtney) and Simon, a son, Patrick Carsten Reade.

KNUTSON - On April 7th, at the Portland Hospital, to Kelley and Carol (Wassh), a third daughter, Octavia.

LABAND - On 7th April, to Claire and John, a son, a brother for Charlotte, Matthew, William and Oliver

LILEY - On March 31st to Georgina (née Eady) and Robin, a daughter, Sophie Anne Clare.

MACKIE - On April 9th 1994 at Queen Charlotte's, to Johanna (née Kircher) and Alexander, a son, Cameron Frederick Hay, a brother for Olivia and Annabel.

MASTROMARINO - On April 6th, at the Portland Hospital, to Mary and John, a lovely daughter, Kathryn Louise, a grand daughter for Mr and Mrs John Crowley of Boston, MA. USA.

RUCK - On April 8th, 1994, to Sophie (née Buchan) and David, a daughter.

SHERLOCK - On April 9th 1994, to Jan (née Clare) and

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VASEY - On 7th April at St Michael's Hospital, Bristol to Susan (née Baines) and John a son, William Rowland, a brother for Hannah & Alice.

WATSON - On April 5th at the Matilda Hospital, Hong Kong, to Shiona, (née Morrison) and Hamish, a son, Thomas Stewart.

DEATHS

ARMISTEAD - On April 10th, 1994, John Richard of Ilkley, West Yorks, dearly loved husband of Jean. Funeral service at Skipton Crematorium, on Friday, April 15th, at 12 noon. Family flowers only.

ASQUITH - Nigel Anthony died suddenly on 5th April aged 50. Beloved husband of Joanna and father of Paul, David, Mark and John. Partner in Cole & Cole, Solicitors of Oxford. Funeral on Thursday 14th April at St Swithun's Church, Kennington, Oxon. Funeral Directors: Reeves & Pain, 288 Abingdon Road, Oxford.

ATKINSON - On April 10th 1994, peacefully in Hythe, Brigadier John Godfrey Atkinson, C.B.E., aged 84, late the Suffs, and of Tenterden Kent. Very much loved husband of Yvonne, devoted father of Anne and Diana, a loving grandfather and great grandfather. Funeral private, family flowers only, but donations if desired to, The Army Benevolent Fund C/o Hambrook & Johns, 1 Dymchurch Road, Hythe Kent. (Tel. No. 0303 266626)

BALL - On 8th April 1994, Mavis Ball (née Worrell) Meonside. Widow of Richard. Father of Janet & Charles, Grandmother of Richard. The funeral Mass took place on 10th April.

BAMFORD - On April 8th 1994, in the loving care of Sisters' and staff, Burford Ward, West Park Hospital, Epsom, Jack Barry, dearly beloved husband of Olive. Cremation at Randalls Park Crematorium, Leatherhead, on Monday April 18th at 3.30 pm. No flowers but donations if desired to Alzheimers Disease Society, Gordon House, 10 Greencoat

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BATTCOCK - At Radlett on April 8th, 1994. Sylvia Ball, aged 97 years, formerly of St. Albans and Natal, South Africa. Wife of the late Humphrey and mother of the late Hilary and Christopher. Happy memories of a much loved mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother. Amersham Crematorium, Monday, April 18th, 10.30am. Flowers to Nethercotts Funeral Directors, Radlett, Herts.

BEAVEN-MARKS - John, Passed away after a brave fight, 7th April 1994. Service at St. Bernadsm, Woodford Green, on Friday 15th April 1994 at 3.15 pm. Much loved and deeply missed.

BESTER - On April 6th 1994 peacefully at home Edith Mary (Cissie) in her 98th year. Freeman of Cordmanchester. Beloved sister of the late John Hartop Bester and dearest aunt of Kathleen and Jean. A great christian lady who will be missed by her many friends. The funeral service will be held at St Mary's Parish Church, Cordmanchester on Thursday April 14th at 11am. prior to interment in the churchyard. Everyone welcome. Floral tributes may be sent to William Peacock & Sons, Orchard Lane, Huntingdon, but donations in her memory for The Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen may be sent if desired c/o Charles Laurie M.B.E., 35 Langley Close, St Ives, Huntingdon, Cambs.

BLANDFORD - On 5th April, 1994, Marjorie Blandford (née Cox) died, after a short illness. The funeral service will be at St Mary's Church, Houghton, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire at 11am, on Wednesday 13th April, followed by private cremation. Donations are welcome in memory of Marjorie, to St John's Hospice, Moppethanger,

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BUSHELL - It is with great sadness that Tony and Diana Bushell of Ipswich Road, Norwich, announce the death of their dearest son, James, on Thursday, April 7th, as a result of a heart attack whilst on holiday in Switzerland. Much loved brother of Elizabeth and Caroline and deeply loved fiancé of Rachel. Details of the private cremation, for family only, followed by memorial services to be held in Norwich and Leeds, will be announced at a later date. Family flowers only please, but donations in memory of James will be most gratefully recieved and used to support a James Bushell Law Bursary. Please write to Peter Taylor Services, 88 Unthank Road, Norwich.

BUTLER - On April 9th, 1994, peacefully at home, Sir Thomas Butler Bt., C.V.O., D.S.O., O.B.E., of Bulls Temple. Funeral at All Saints Church Aghade, Co. Carlow, on Tuesday April 12 at 3.00pm. Memorial Service in London to be announced later.

de ROHAN - On Sunday April 10th 1994 Princess Maria de Rohan (née Von Herdtmuth) aged 90, peacefully at North Devon hospital. Beloved wife of the late Prince Charles de Rohan, dearly loved mother of Charles, Louis and Raoul and a very special grandmother and great grandmother who shall be greatly missed. Requiem mass at Bideford Church of the Sacred Heart on Thursday April 14th, 10.30 a.m. Buried at Chiddcock Dorset 3.30 p.m. Enquiries to Trignell and Sherborne. Tel: 0257 472008. No letters please and only family flowers.

DUNCAN - On Sunday 10th April at home, at Lanelcas, Joseph Alexander (Alex), J.P., D.L., aged 80. Much loved husband, father and grandfather. Funeral Service at Woodchurch Parish Church on Friday 15th April at 1.15pm, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only please, but if desired, donations to Parkinson's Disease Society c/o Charles Stephens, Clifton House Funeral Home, Rock

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FREDERICKS - On 8th April 1994 suddenly Herbert husband of May Elizabeth, father of Sally and Jeffrey. Funeral service at the Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Worth, near Crawley, West Sussex, on Friday 15th April at 2.30pm. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to the Diabetic Society c/o R Medhurst Funeral Directors, Vine House, Hartfield, East Sussex, TN7 4AD.

GASKELL - Peacefully on April 9th, Loudon Agnes Ogilvie "Goodie" aged 88 years, widow of Arthur Gaskell. Funeral service at Cheltenham Crematorium Chapel on Thursday April 14th at 12.30 pm. No flowers, but if desired, donations for the Ryder Home or Homelife D.G.L.A., may be sent to R. Sweet & Sons, Tewkesbury, Glos.

HAMILTON, Lt. Cmdr. John of Roselle, husband of Angela and father of Sarah Sue (Susie), aged 83 years, very peacefully on April 7th, 1994. Funeral private. (Cut flowers only).

HELLEWELL - On April 7th 1994, at home in Meaks Eleigh, Phillip John, most dearly loved husband of Margaret and devoted father of Robert, Michael & Simon. The funeral will take place in the Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin, Edwardstone, at 2pm on the 15th April. Private cremation. Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, for the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund may be sent to W.A.Deacon Funeral Services, High Street, Lavenham, Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 9PY.

HEWITT - Stanley Charles, aged 88, suddenly at his home in Weston Super Mare on April 5th, 1994. Enquiries please to Cooksley & Sons Funeral Directors. Tel 0934 626666.

HICKS - Joana, suddenly on Tuesday 5th April, widow of Reg and beloved mother of Beverley. Funeral, 2pm Friday 15th April at Croydon Crematorium. Flowers to G.W.S. Funeral Services.

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KINDRED - Tragically on April 9th as a result of an accident, John aged 68 years of Ashburton, Devon, formerly of the Bull Inn, Hardway, Somerset and the Crown Hotel, Sherborne, Dorset. Loving husband of Abbie, father of Ralph, Jonathon and Georgina and brother of Jim. Funeral service at Sherborne Abbey on Thursday April 14th at 12 noon followed by interment in Sherborne cemetery. Family flowers only by request, but donations welcome to John Lincoln, Funeral Directors, 40 Greyvegate, Hunstanton, Norfolk, to be divided between the Royal Artillery benevolent Fund and Emphysema Research.

LOEWY, Max Rudolf Of Windsor, peacefully on 6th April, 1994. Funeral service at All Saints Church, Frances Road, Windsor, Tuesday, 19th April at 3pm. No flowers please, but donations greatly appreciated to Thames Valley Hospice, Windsor or Sue Ryder Home, Nettlebed, Henley.

LUMLEY - On April 9th 1994 at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary, Lt. Col. Richard Francis Lumley aged 84 of Haslemere, Surrey. Service at St. Bartholomew's Church, Haslemere on Friday 22nd April at 12.30 pm, followed by Committal at Sunvale Cemetery at 1.15 pm. Flowers to G.M. Luff Funeral Directors, 84 Lion Lane, Haslemere GU27 1JH.

MACLEOD - On Saturday, April 9th, peacefully at the Glebe House Nursing Home, Northleach, Theodora, widow of Sir John MacLeod and deeply loved mother of David, Carol, Jocelyn, Martin and Mary-Rose and a beloved grandmother to many. Funeral service on Thursday, April 14th, at St Peter's Church, Farmington, at 12 noon. Family flowers only, donations if wished to Farmington Church.

MALAN - On 9th of April 1994, died peacefully in Gloucestershire, aged 88, Audrey, Widow of Edward. Cremation private, memorial service will be held at Blythburgh Church, Suffolk.

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MIDDLETON - Arthur Harry Middleton, MC., TD., Major R.A. (Ret'd), on Good Friday, aged 82, after a long battle against emphysema. Loved husband of Sheila, proud father of Arthur and adored grandfather of Arthur-Camille, Felix, Giles and Tom. Service to be held at Mintlyn Crematorium, Kings Lynn, at 12.30 pm on Friday 15th April. All friends welcome and afterwards at Knights Hill Hotel. Family flowers only by request, but donations welcome to John Lincoln, Funeral Directors, 40 Greyvegate, Hunstanton, Norfolk, to be divided between the Royal Artillery benevolent Fund and Emphysema Research.

MOORE - Rev. Preb. Herbert, suddenly at home in Malvern on April 7th, aged 76 years, formerly of St. Stephen's, Gloucester Road and Royal Dean of Kensington. Beloved husband of Edith, father of Elizabeth and grandfather of Sara. Private funeral service. Requiem Mass at Worcester Cathedral on Friday, the 29th of April at 2PM.

NEO - Victor Hock Leong, on April 4, tragically died in aircraft accident at Amsterdam Airport Schiphol. Wake and funeral took place in Singapore on April 9 and 11 respectively. A memorial service will be arranged in Cardiff. For further information, please contact The Rev. Jenkins on 0222 232550 or Katy Fisher-Freullet at KLM Royal Dutch Airlines on 081 750 9082.

NEWMAN - On April 6th 1994, peacefully, Archie Newman, aged 62 years, of Cocking-by-Sea. Darling husband of Rita and devoted father of Josephine and Nigel. Private cremation. Donations, to his memory if wished, may be sent to a children's charity of your own choice.

PHILLIPS - Faith Gwendolen, sister of Constance, formerly of St. Albans, Hertfordshire, died on 7th April 1994. The funeral will be held at 2.30 on Friday, 15th April, 1994 at St. Luke's Chapel, Bembridge, Isle of Wight. Flowers to Weavers, Lane

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RAMSBIRD - On April 10 1994 peacefully, after an illness borne with utmost dignity and courage, Anthony Jenner, Beloved husband of Sarah, and devoted father of Oliver and Timothy. Funeral, Thursday 14th April 3 o'clock at St Margaret's Church, Bethersden, Kent. Family flowers only. Donations to The Friends of St Margaret's Church, as requested by Tony.

REDFERN - On April 8th 1994, peacefully at Birtley House Nursing Home in Bramley, Marjorie (née Todd) aged 95 years. Beloved wife of the late Kenneth. Dearly loved mother of Jo, Colin and Richard, devoted mother in law, grandmother and great grandmother. Funeral service at Guildford Crematorium, on Thursday April 14th at 11.30 am. Family flowers only please. Enquiries to Robert Ayling Funeral Services. Tel 0483 67333.

REES - Reginald Jackson on 10th April, 1994, peacefully at Rhos-on-Sea, North Wales, aged 80 years. The beloved husband of the late Josie, father of Martin and brother of Jack. Service at Colwyn Bay crematorium on Friday 15th April at 2.00pm. A memorial service at Bodelwyn will be arranged for a later date. Enquiries to Percy L. Roberts & Sons Colwyn Bay 0492 548351.

ROBBINS - On Thursday April 7th, Joan Rafferty Robbins, née Cordtray, O.B.E., widow of Francis John Robbins and mother of Catherine. Requiem Mass and the funeral will be held at Holy Trinity, Hythe at 11.30 am Thursday April 14th. No flowers, donations if desired to Women Caring Trust.

ROSS - Sir Alexander Ross, aged 86. On April 10th at Tweed Roads West, New South Wales, Australia. Beloved husband of Cynthia, much loved father, grandfather and great grandfather. Funeral private in Australia. Memorial Service to be arranged in London at a future date; for further details contact Barry Ross Tel: 0394 387532.

SCOTT HALL - On March 30th, Margaretta (Peggy) of The Haven, Bunnage, widow

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SECCOMBE - Tim (Thomas Lawrence) peacefully on 9th April at Sherbourne Towers Nursing Home, Malvern Wells. Funeral service at Cheltenham Crematorium at 11.20a.m. on Friday 22nd April. PU friends and family welcome. No flowers. Donations to Fleet Air Arm Museum, Yeovilton.

SPARKES - Whitfred Elsie (née Stevens). On 9th April 1994, peacefully at St. Richard's Hospital, Chichester, aged 91 years, widow of Captain John Sparkes, loved mother of Daphne, mother-in-law of Michael and grandmother of Tamsin, Jessica and James. Funeral Service at Chichester Crematorium on Monday 18th April at 3.30 pm. Flowers to Edward White & Son, 5 South Pallant, Chichester. Tel: (01243) 782136.

WHITE - On April 9th, Doris Mary aged 86, widow of Arthur, devoted mother of Chester and Harvey, loving grandmother. No flowers but any donations to the Brendoncare Foundation for the Elderly, Park Road, Winchester.

WILMERS - On April 6th, John Joseph, peacefully, aged 92. Much loved husband of Ballon, father of Ann, George, grandfather of Richard, William, Lelia, Marina, and the late Jack. Funeral Friday April 15th at 11.45 am at Golders Green Crematorium. No flowers, donations to Imperial Cancer Research Fund, c/o Kellaways Funeral Service, 104 Lordship Lane, London, SE22 8HF. Tel: 081 693 2898.

WOODD - Diana Elizabeth, peacefully at Amesbury Abbey on 7th April 1994, Widow of the late Colonel Basil Woodd, 14th / 20th Kings Hussars. Much loved mother of Ann, David and Anthony and grandmother to Rachel, Charles, Matilda and Tabitha. Funeral Service at Church of St Mary the Virgin, Bolvendon, Kent on Saturday 16th April at 12.00 noon. Family flowers only but donations if desired to King's Royal Hussars Welfare Fund may be sent to Gerald W Burden Funeral Directors, Phoenix Church Street, Amesbury, Wiltshire

MEMORIAL SERVICES

ARGYLE - A Memorial Service for the late Mrs Ann Norah Argyle will be held at St. Barnabas' Cathedral, Derby Road, Nottingham at 2.00pm on Friday 29th April 1994.

MACNAMARA - A memorial service and thanksgiving for the life of Brigadier Pat Macnamara DSO, late of Q.V.O. Corps of Guides (Indian Army), will be held in London at Noon, on Thursday 28th April, at St Luke's Church, Sidney St, Chelsea. Any donations to Winged Fellowship Trust, 20-32 Pentonville Rd, London N1 9XD; or at the church.

SILVER ANNIVERSARIES

SWIFT - Congratulations to Linda and Brian, all the very best, Beryl and Charles Cope.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

WILFORD-LAW - On April 12th 1944 at St Mary's Church, Hayling Island, Captain Michael Wilford, Royal Engineers, to Joan Mary Law W.R.N.S., of Brinkwater, Hayling Island. Present address: Brook Cottage, Abbotts Ann, Andover, Hampshire SP11 7DS.

YOUNG - Elizabeth (née Marshall) and Bill of Whitfirth Newburgh, married 12th April 1944, in Lichfield.

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OBITUARIES

LIONEL COSIN

Lionel Cosin, surgeon and hospital superintendent, died on March 21 aged 83. He was born on November 8, 1910.



ALTHOUGH he was trained as a surgeon, Lionel Cosin's life's work lay in his role as a hospital administrator. His speciality was geriatric medicine, where he blazed a trail which many subsequently followed. He left his imprint on three separate hospitals, in each of which he pioneered new methods of caring for and curing the elderly.

Lionel Zelick Cosin was born in London the son of Benjamin Cosin, a tobacconist. He was educated at Westminster City School and, like his elder brother, the radiologist C. F. Cosin, went to medical school at Guy's. He qualified as a doctor in 1933 and only three years later gained his professional qualification as a surgeon, becoming an FRCS at the age of 26.

After junior posts at the Prince of Wales, the Royal Northern and the City of London Maternity Hospital he spent some time in general practice. But in 1940 he was appointed Medical Superintendent of Orsett Emergency Hospital in Essex. Medical superintendents were traditionally given the title of doctor and, despite being a surgeon, he was always known as "Dr" and not "Mr" Cosin. The hospital was busy with wartime emergencies but, as superintendent, Cosin was also responsible for the care of 300 chronically sick patients who, by the standards of the time, received good custodial care. They were washed, fed and kept clean but they were nursed in bed and offered no form of rehabilitation.

Cosin found that old people referred for permanent custodial care were not untreatable. Their chronic diseases were, in fact, acute. Many, he claimed, were suffering less from chronic sickness than from chronic neglect, the result of a long period on the waiting-list. And this, by good organisation and energetic medical intervention, he was able to abolish. He showed that, with good treatment and rehabilitation, only 20 per cent of his patients were still in hospital after six months. Chronic neglect was prevented by clinical and social urgency. These facts are the raison d'être of the specialty of geriatric medicine and he presented them at the Royal Society of Medicine in 1948.

After eight years at Orsett, Cosin moved to Langthorne Hospital in East London where he set up a pioneer form of day care for the mentally confused. The emphasis was on occupational therapy rather than nursing — and importance was attached to nutrition. Here, too, he began the practice of intermittent admission which developed later into his concept of "the floating bed". In 1950 Cosin was appointed to Oxford to develop a geriatric service based at Cowley Road Hospital with the title of Clinical Director. He inherited a waiting-list of more than 300 but had the courage to refuse an offer of additional beds. He applied the principles he had learnt at Orsett and soon had the bed problem under control, increasing the turnover sixfold and reducing the average length of stay from 286 days to 51. Only 7 per cent of his patients were still in hospital six months after admission.

He further extended his concept of progressive patient care to include a "no care" facility for the assessment of younger disabled patients at Rivermead Hospital. This formed part of a comprehensive regional rehabilitation service which also included an industrial workshop and a small nursing unit for patients with progressive neuromuscular disease. He developed the use of the floating bed for respite admissions, delegating access to some of them to a community nurse and a health visitor. He had a particular concern for the elderly confused, and was delighted when a study by the psychiatrist Felix Post showed that five times as many confused patients were treated by the geriatric unit as by the local mental hospital.

Cosin had a genius for rehabilitation. He possessed a profound understanding of shared care and was a pioneer of multi-disciplinary teamwork, working happily not only with professional staff and ambulancemen, but also with relatives, neighbours, tradesmen and even schoolchildren.

But Cosin's fame rests most securely on the invention of the geriatric day hospital and on his skill and persistence in getting one built within seven years of his arrival in Oxford. The Cowley Road Day Hospital opened in 1957, the first purpose-built geriatric day hospital in the world. It was designed on the endless corridor principle to enable confused patients who were so inclined to wander without getting lost. Once Cosin had shown the way, the rest of the world recognised the day hospital as an essential part of an effective geriatric service. The Cowley Road Day Hospital was renamed the Cosin Day Hospital in 1972 and a rehabilitation ward at the Radcliffe Infirmary was called after him in 1981.

He was one of the seven founder members of the Medical Society for the Care of the Elderly and served on the executive in the early days. His contribution to the specialty is legendary but he was perhaps better known internationally than at home.

Cosin married Pamela Keenlyside, a psychiatric counsellor. She and a son and a daughter survive him.

COLONEL SIR THOMAS BUTLER

Colonel Sir Thomas Butler, Bt, CVO, DSO, OBE, Governor of the Tower of London, 1961-71, died on April 9 aged 83. He was born on September 18, 1910.



TOM BUTLER was the product of a world that has now virtually vanished. His ancestral home was in a remote corner of Ireland and, when he was about to be born, the family doctor was out hunting. According to legend, he reacted to the summons to attend his mother's bedside with the insouciant comment: "Tell them I'll be over as soon as we've killed the fox."

A member of the old Anglo-Irish Ascendancy, Butler was educated at Harrow and Trinity College, Cambridge. In 1933 he joined the 1st Battalion the Grenadier Guards, living the ordinary smart life of a Guards' officer in London until war broke out in 1939. He first saw action in France in 1940 and then in North Africa, where he was wounded and taken prisoner at the battle of Mareth in March 1943. By then he was a company commander and for his courage and leadership in the battle he was later awarded the DSO.

Seven months after being captured, Butler — along with his fellow-Grenadier, Lieutenant (now Lord) Bonham-Carter — escaped from their prisoner-of-war camp at Modena. They hiked some 400 miles south along the mountains, passing through the German lines at Termoli, before finally arriving, to their great relief, beside a 25-pounder surrounded by British soldiers.

Butler then resumed his military career, attending the staff college at Camberley in 1944 whence he was sent to liberated Oslo in 1945 as garrison commander. Two years later he was ordered to Germany as second-in-command of the 2nd Battalion Grenadiers. From 1947 to 1949 he was brigade major of the Brigade of Guards before taking over command of the 2nd Battalion, still serving in the British zone of Germany.

In 1952 he became AQMG, London District, and as such was responsible for the administration and quartering of all the troops involved in the Queen's 1953 coronation. He finished his service in the Grenadiers as colonel commanding the regiment, a job he filled with dignity and efficiency until 1958. Not yet 50, he at first took up a post as military adviser to the Thai army, before sailing for New Zealand in 1959 to head the defence staff of the High Commissioner, Sir George Mallaby.

In 1961 he was summoned back to England to become Governor of the Tower of London and Keeper of the Jewel House. He held this appointment for ten years, carrying out its duties — which included the entertainment of such disparate foreign visitors as President Eisenhower, Brigitte Bardot and Yuri Gagarin — with considerable panache. As Governor of the Tower, he was once again involved in a grand state occasion, this time the funeral of Sir Winston Churchill in 1965.

On leaving the Tower in 1971, Butler retired to live in Ireland where he had renovated and extended the gardener's cottage on his family's old estate of Ballin Temple. He did not, however, finally cut his links with Britain, to which anyway he eventually returned, organising the gathering of 400 members of the Butler family held at Cambridge in 1979. He also worked hard on behalf of the Cheshire Homes as well as interesting himself in military history. His main delight, though, remained fishing for salmon on his local river, the Slaney.

He is survived by his wife Rosemary, whom he married in 1937, and by a son and two daughters.

INNIS MACBEATH

Innis Macbeath, labour editor of *The Times*, 1969-1973, and Plowden Professor of Industrial Relations at the London Business School, 1974-77, died from cancer in hospital in Perth on March 25 aged 65. He was born in Belfast on August 30, 1928.



IN A period in Britain's industrial relations history when it was not given to many to be perceptive about what the future might hold in the struggle between trade unions and employers, Innis Macbeath became the first labour editor of *The Times*. It was not an easy row to hoe. The then editor, William Rees-Mogg, had upgraded the labour post from the status of correspondent to editor on the correct assumption that the paper ought to be grappling more strongly with industrial relations problems in the wake of the failure of Labour's proposals to reform the trade unions.

When, in 1970, the Labour Government was suceeded by a Conservative administration determined to take a firmer line on bringing the unions to heel, the labour editor's job acquired an even more central position in the scheme of things. But on this Macbeath and his editor tended to have different views. Macbeath had far greater instinctive sympathy with the trade unions than Rees-Mogg. Although he was not a labour expert, he had covered plenty of labour stories. In 1970 he became a union official himself, as Father of the Chapel (chairman of the office branch) of the National Union of Journalists at *The Times*.

He was hard-working and conscientious and, as a result, was not easily deflected from his opinion once it was formed. This was generally argued with all the force of his Scottish Presbyterian and academic background.

He was the son of Alexander Macbeath, of Applecross, Ross-shire. At the time of his birth his father had moved to Belfast where he was Professor of Logic and Metaphysics at Queen's University and one of the most influential figures in British philosophy (Innis Macbeath's brother was to become Professor of Mathematics and Statistics at Pittsburgh University).

Innis Stewart Macbeath was educated at the Royal Belfast Academical Institution and Queen's University where he read history. After a short period working for the United Nations Association he joined the *Glasgow Herald* as a sub-editor in 1951. Within a year or two he had graduated to special correspondent and leader writer.

In 1957 he joined *The Times* and ran through a gamut of jobs, including a spell as an obituarist, before becoming a leader writer in 1961. From 1964 he was assistant correspondent in New York and Latin America correspondent. His work was highly regarded both inside and outside the paper and in 1967 he was made head of the New York office. Two years later he was back in London as labour editor.

As such, instead of being a one-man band like his predecessor as labour correspondent, he had three journalists writing for him. The anticipation was that *The Times*'s labour coverage would now be an altogether more authoritative affair. In the event, this fair promise never quite bore fruit. There were personality as well as ideological differences between editor and labour editor — the former, Catholic and Conservative in instinct; the latter, Presbyterian and somewhere to the left of centre.

After the 1970 Conservative election victory this gap widened. Macbeath felt he had a more realistic grasp of labour issues than Rees-Mogg. The editor felt, with some justice, that being the senior officer of the *Times* NUJ Chapel was apt to contribute to his labour editor's already highly developed sympathies in the trade union direction. Perhaps the greatest irony of the situation was that both men, as commentators on industrial matters, were sitting on a time-bomb, in terms of the relations between Fleet Street print unions and managements. These they were powerless to control and the conflict was later to bring the paper almost to its knees.

Such factors and other causes of discontent (Macbeath was, in 1970, a prominent signatory to a letter to Rees-Mogg from a number of senior members of staff expressing apprehension about the direction the paper was taking) eventually led to his deciding, in 1973, to leave the paper. In 1974 he became Plowden Professor of Industrial Relations at the London Business School. He held the post for three years, but continued as a visiting professor until 1981.

He retired to Scotland and was from 1984 until his final illness last year an active appeals secretary to the Iona Cathedral Trustees.

He is survived by his wife, Isobel, whom he married in 1957, and by a son and daughter.

MIKI IVERIA



Miki Iveria, Russian aristocrat, actress and authority on Maltese dogs, died in London on March 29 aged 83. She was born in the Crimea on June 14, 1910.

ALTHOUGH Miki Iveria was certainly a lovely and talented actress, she never achieved the sort of success that her early promise as a favourite pupil of Elsie Fogerty at the Central School of Speech and Drama seemed to indicate. There was perhaps something mannered about her acting style which, combined with an exotic Russian accent, did not fit well into the postwar vogue for kitchen-sink realism. She was in any case too talented in other areas — for instance, as a Russian translator and expert on Maltese dogs — to dwell for long on what might have been.

In particular, when Peter (later Sir Peter) Daubeny brought the Moscow Arts Theatre to Britain in 1958 as part of his World Theatre Season, he employed Miki Iveria to supply the simultaneous translation to the audience. The tour was an unparalleled triumph and a revelation for Western audiences, unused to seeing Chekhov played with such vigour. Miki Iveria's excellent and rapid translations — which were piped via audio equipment to the audience — were an integral part of their success. So it was that in 1965, when the Moscow Arts Theatre were invited to New York, they asked her to accompany them.

Miki Iveria was the stage name of Princess Gayane Mickeladze, born in the Crimea into an artistic and aristocratic family, the great-granddaughter of the 19th-century painter Ivan Aivazovsky. Her father was one of the youngest judges in Russia, and a popular man on his estates, though he made the fatal political error of sheltering White Russian troops during the Russian Revolution. Hence he was hunted by the Bolsheviks when they began to push into the Crimea, and only managed to escape with his family, after many adventures, in 1920. The family briefly settled in Constantinople, where Gayane attended the English school. Afterwards she was educated in England at the Northfield School for Girls, Watford, and the Central School of Speech and Drama, which she left in 1935.

Having changed her name to Miki Iveria, she looked set to blossom as a leading lady of the stage after personal successes both in *Tovarich* at the Lyric, Hammersmith, and *Bridge of Sighs* at St Martin's in 1937. But her early potential was not sustained, though she continued to be offered supporting roles — often as the exotic foreigner — in plays including *The Petrified Forest* (1942) with Constance Cummings at the Globe; *Lottie Dundass* with Sybil Thorndike and Ann Todd at the Vaudeville in 1943; and *The Rose Tattoo* (1957) directed by Sam Wanamaker at the New Shakespeare Theatre in Liverpool.

She also had cameo roles in countless films including *The Millionairess* (1960), *The Yellow Rolls Royce* (1964), *Fiddler on the Roof* (1971) and *Dance with a Stranger* (1985).

Her association with Maltese dogs began in the mid-1950s, when she inherited her first Maltese, Loulou, after her mother's death. Afterwards she was never without one and became an expert on the breed, publishing the definitive *Maltese Dogs* in 1980 with an introduction by her friend, Christopher Fry. It was a comprehensively researched history which showed her familiarity with art history and literature.

Although often penniless herself, she was a tireless worker for charity, particularly the Russian Red Cross (now the Russian Benevolent Society). During the war, between performances, she ran a canteen in Mayfair serving meals for rescue workers, exhausted police, firemen and stray servicemen. She also helped to found the Returned British Prisoners of War Association with Lady Louis Mountbatten.

She retained a slight Russian accent to the end, and was always somewhat wistful about her status as refugee. Had she had the energy to complete her memoirs, which she started writing ten years before her death, they would no doubt have made fascinating reading. She had many offers of marriage, none of which she accepted.

GEORGE GRAHAM

George Graham, QC, of Keswick, Cumbria, died on February 28 aged 73. He was born on July 17, 1920.

A SPECIALIST in tax matters, in the City, George Graham acted almost exclusively for clients against the Crown. He was in Sir Millard Tucker's chambers in the Temple and took over on Sir Millard's retirement. In 1971-72 he became Aldermanic Sheriff of the City of London. He was Chancellor of the dioceses of Wakefield and Sheffield. He started his working life in the Midland Bank in Cumbria but, after war service in the Royal Signals, studied law.

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Marquis Wellesley's house, at Hyde Park-corner was lighted up with its usual magnificence. Arches of lamps covered the entrances. Festoons were drawn along the summit of the porch : an illuminated temple, with the arms of the King of France, formed the centre . . .

On a display so suddenly called for as this illumination, there could scarcely be expected much of the finished and classical elegance of device and inscription that might be found where longer preparation was allowed. But if the mottos were not of peculiar elegance, there were not a few of peculiar expressiveness, such as marked the time and the feeling of the hour most strikingly. On some of the houses was the motto which would have, perhaps, occurred as singular on any other occasion. But the words, "Thank God," plain as they were, were perhaps among the most suitable to the impression of the hour that could be used . . .

ON THIS DAY

April 12 1814

London's relief and joy at the abdication of Napoleon and the restoration of the French monarchy was short-lived; 10 months later he escaped from Elba and entered Paris, creating apprehension in England — until the outcome at Waterloo.

In South Audley-street, his Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge's house was very neatly illuminated with a French crown, formed of variegated lamps, and accompanied by ornamental lilies, in the centre: to the right "Vive le Roi, Louis the 18th," and to the left "Vivent les Bourbons." The residence of the Portuguese Ambassador was brilliantly decorated up to the roof with devices and appropriate inscriptions. The house of Monsieur presented a transparency of the restored French Monarch, with the inscription "Vive le Roi, Louis XVIII." . . .

Mr Hunter, Upper Berkeley-street, Portman-square.——A transparency, "G.P.R." surmounted with the crown: the plume and fleur de lis on each side: in the centre "Alexander," under a wreath of laurel encircled with olive, and the motto, "May the Rose and the Lily be for ever united;" underneath "Louis XVIII." In the windows on each side, the names of "Wellington" and "Blucher." . . .

Carlton-house was superb. The whole extensive front was covered with light. The colonnade was wreathed with continued festooning of flame-coloured lamps. On the architrave blazed in large characters the names of Austria, Prussia, Russia, and England. In the centre was the motto, "Vive les Bourbons." The Artist's grammar ought to have been better consulted . . .

Mr. Ackermann's, in the Strand, exhibited a transparency of the Corsican attacked by death, who places his foot on his breast, and holds in one hand an hour-glass almost expended, and in the other a spear. The fallen Tyrant supplicates death to arrest his fatal purpose: beneath him are broken eagles, torn flags, &c., and in his hand he grasps the shattered remains of a sword. On the walls of Paris are seen Cossacks and other Russians, Prussians, Austrians, &c. who are raising the standard of the Bourbons . . .

Nato jets bomb Serbs again

■ Nato jets bombed Bosnian Serb forces for the second day in succession yesterday as Serb gunners renewed their attack on the Muslim enclave of Gorazde. A tank and two personnel carriers were destroyed, halting an armoured advance on the town, after the British UN commander called for air support.

Lieutenant General Sir Michael Rose had turned to Nato again as the Serbs ignored Sunday's air strikes and repeated Unprofor warnings and carried on pounding the town with artillery and tank shells ..... Pages 1, 14, 18, 19

Tories in peril of third place

■ The Tory Party may come third, with fewer seats than the Liberal Democrats, after the June 9 elections for the European Parliament, the most critical test of the Major leadership since the general election ..... Pages 1, 4, 18, 19

Anger at Zhirinovsky

Paris came under pressure to expel Vladimir Zhirinovsky, who is visiting France, after he spat, shouted abuse and threw gravel at Jewish students protesting in Strasbourg ..... Page 1

Greek warning

British firms and educational institutions in Greece have been warned to increase their security after a failed attempt by a left-wing terrorist group to attack HMS *Ark Royal* ..... Page 10

Video penalties

Michael Howard is to unveil harsh new penalties on shops that distribute unsuitable videos to children ..... Pages 1, 19

Melanoma vaccine

Scientists have developed a vaccine that has proved to be successful against melanoma, the most aggressive and deadliest form of skin cancer ..... Page 9

Breast cancer

Deaths of breast cancer patients after surgery are six times higher for some surgeons than others, but the reasons are not being investigated ..... Pages 1, 17

Ukraine attack

Ukrainian special forces stormed a Russian naval installation in the Black Sea port of Odessa at the weekend, beating up and arresting several Russian sailors, including three senior officers ..... Page 10

Howard backs down

Michael Howard backed down over a key part of his proposal to modify a suspect's right to silence after opposition from the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Taylor of Gosforth, and other senior judges ..... Page 2

Tesco in Calais

The cross-Channel supermarket drinks war intensified when Tesco confirmed it would follow the Sainsbury lead by opening a store in Calais ..... Page 7

Gay protest

The UN Human Rights Committee has ruled that Tasmania's criminal laws on homosexuality violate international human rights agreements that Australia has signed ..... Page 14

Empty homes

The number of homes standing empty has almost doubled over the past ten years, to about 860,000, according to the Joseph Rowntree Foundation ..... Page 5

Hasty evacuation

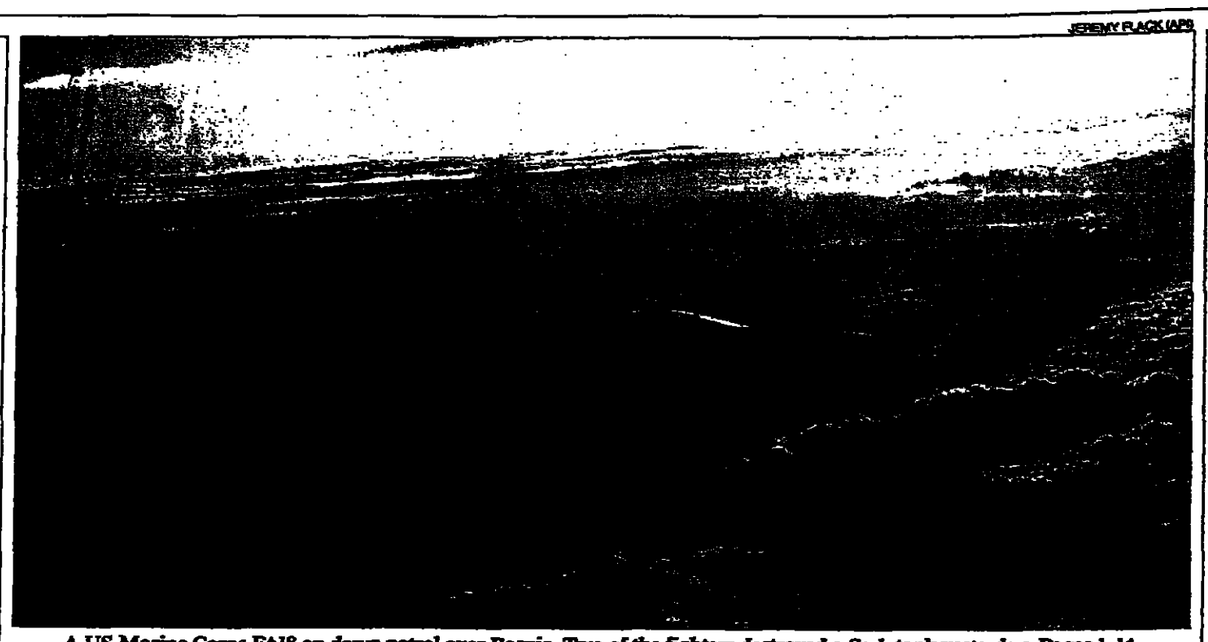
Rebel forces were closing in on Kigali, the Rwandan capital, as Belgium speeded the rescue of its 1,500 citizens from the anarchic African republic ..... Page 15

Boom and bust

Shanghai is in the middle of a great boom, but it cannot house any more of the thousands of people pouring in from the countryside ..... Page 15

£2m house sold in nine hours

■ A £2 million mansion in Totteridge, north London, is heading for the record books after being sold in only nine hours. El Remo, once owned by Mickie Most, the record producer, became the ultimate impulse buy when a British businessman bought it for his wife. He saw the house at 9am and contracts were exchanged at 6pm ..... Page 5



JEREMY FLACK (AP)

A US Marine Corps FA18 on dawn patrol over Bosnia. Two of the fighters destroyed a Serb tank yesterday. Pages 1, 14

Lancer: An administrative receiver has blamed German banks for forcing Lancer Boss, the last British-owned lift truck manufacturer, into administration ..... Page 23

Economy: Consumers borrowed slightly more in February than in January, but there is evidence that demand for credit slowed along with retail sales in the run-up to the tax increases ..... Page 23

Markets: The FT-SE 100 index rose 28.6 points to close at 3149.4. Sterling's trade-weighted index fell from 80.0 to 79.7 after a fall from $1.4745 to $1.4736 and from DM2.5261 to DM2.5172 ..... Page 26

Football: Terry Venables, the England coach, named eight uncapped players in a squad of 24 for next week's two-day training session at Bisham Abbey ..... Page 44

Rugby union: The United States, winners three years ago of the women's World Cup, crushed Sweden 111-0 at Galashiels, while England, joint favourites for the title, beat Russia 66-0 ..... Page 44

Motor racing: Nigel Mansell, the IndyCar champion, finished third in a race at the Phoenix Oval on Sunday then claimed he had never been so scared in his racing career ..... Page 42

Pure poetry: In the 1970s it was Studio 54, in the 1980s it was health clubs. Now, it's bookshops. Kate Muir on the best place to meet people in New York ..... Page 16

Long-term impact: Whiplash injuries can cause many problems — some of which may emerge long after the accident. Aileen Ballantyne reports ..... Page 17

Quiet words: "Juries acquit guilty people because they do not trust the police." Sir David Napley on why he is unhappy with changes in the right to silence ..... Page 33

Found art: If Rose Garrard had not become fascinated by Harry Bates's *Pandora* a decade ago, probably it would be still lurking in the Tate Gallery's basement store ..... Page 37

Thespian triumph: David Calder establishes himself in the front rank of British actors with a powerful portrayal of Shylock in the RSC's new production of *The Merchant of Venice* ..... Page 38

Dancing with ghosts: The choreographer Bill T. Jones has some ghosts to exorcise before he brings his company back to London after eight years ..... Page 39



Bill Haley, who recorded *Rock Around the Clock* 40 years ago today in a New York studio, launching the rock 'n' roll era Page 7



José María Olazábal, of Spain, who became the sixth European in seven years to win the US Masters golf tournament at Augusta Page 42



President Menem of Argentina who has won referendum support to change the constitution so that he can run for a second term in office Page 14

THE TIMES TOMORROW

From Oedipus to Olivier

■ Broadway does it with glitz, London does it with taste and the Greeks have been doing it for 2,500 years. Benedict Nightingale on theatre awards

Ballerina turns to the scrum

■ What happens when you grow too big to be a ballerina? You play rugby, where your elevation helps in the lineout. Sally Jones meets a member of the England women's rugby team

Video nasties and nasty kids

■ Do video nasties create nasty children? Sue Cook discusses the effects of screen violence

A ninetieth birthday tribute to Sir John Gielgud. *Omnibus* (BBC1, 10pm; Scotland Thursday, 11.25pm) ..... Page 43

April fools

The West has come perilously close to losing the momentum for peace in Bosnia ..... Page 19

Euro-battleground

The danger for the Conservatives is that at the next general election the opposition parties may mount a raid on the Tories' most reliable source of support ..... Page 19

Sermon handicap

Length should be part of the educative function of sermons. They are reminders that we were not sent into this world entirely for our pleasure ..... Page 19

BERNARD LEVIN

At least 90 per cent of new plays are rubbish without a redeeming feature, *and everyone in and around the theatre knows that to be true* ..... Page 18

TONY TRAVERS

The perceived failure of the Government to take London's needs seriously, while providing provincial cities, Scotland and Wales with resources for new sports arenas, concert halls, opera houses and Olympic bids is about to be put to the electoral test ..... Page 18

Lionel Cosin, surgeon; Colonel Sir Thomas Butler, Governor of the Tower of London; Innis Macbeath, former labour editor of *The Times*; Miki Iveria, actress ..... Page 21

A welcome for more sport in schools ..... Page 19

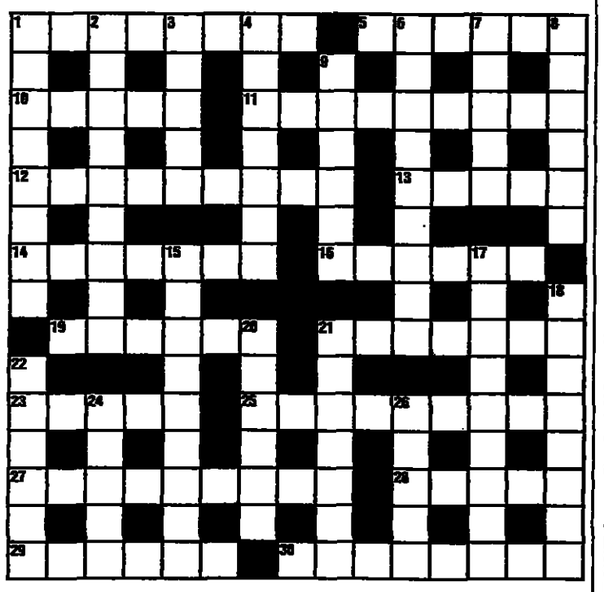
The reformist spirit embodied by Mr Hosakawa will necessarily become a touchstone for his would-be successors

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Wherever [health] reform bills lurk, so do powerful vested interests, from doctors and insurance agents to lawyers, small-business owners and [top] companies ... lobbying is subtle, nearly invisible and potentially pernicious

— The New York Times

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 19,514



ACROSS

1 Exhausted rugby player, a stand-off (8).
5 Royal house accepted in the beginning (6).
10 Clerk producing rocket-motor (5).
11 One of two cards in the pack would give you pontoon (9).
12 8 arranging to shoot me (9).
13 Deity accepting the ultimate in homage, a hymn of praise (5).
14 Do I finish the game without it? (7).
16 By the sound of it, put one's finger on fish (6).
19 Take up residence in N. Yorks. town (6).
21 It's goodbye to comfort as one gets old (7).
23 Walter's dad (5).
25 Cornered on the wagon (2,3,4).
27 Doing a Svengali, stir into action (9).
28 A governess, Laetitia King is employed in the afternoon (5).
29 Clumsy worker returning, about to join ... (6).
30 ... firm I and others intend to join (4-4).

DOWN

1 Union subverted, violated (8).
2 One wanting to live in solitude has to fix it with the utmost haste (9).
3 Wood used in popular chairs (5).
4 In the circumstances, show disapproval of galley (7).
6 Go on disrupting peace talk (4,5).
7 A woman, for example, turning into a gnome (5).
8 Theft is infectious (6).
9 Invent toiletries (4-2).
15 Cattle are caught up in dispute (9).
17 Motor race supplies colour (9).
18 Prisoner put on trial for offence against the court (8).
20 Give rise to girl who's stripped (6).
21 Gem that catches the light at night (4-3).
22 Peg, try wearing pink! (6).
24 Stock of cards that are left over — never take the first ones you see (5).
26 Former physical education student put out of school (5).

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Yesterday: Highest day temp: Benbecula, Outer Hebrides, 13C (55F); lowest day max: Tynemouth, 7C (45F); highest rainfall: Stansted, Essex, 1.14in; highest sunshine: Cardiff, 11.7hr.

☐ **General:** Scotland and Northern Ireland will have a lot of bright weather but with scattered showers. Later in the day, cloud will increase in the extreme north with a little light rain.

Cloud and rain over much of Wales and northern England will move southeast slowly during the day to reach the extreme southeast by evening.

The north and west of England and Wales will brighten up again later in the day. A touch of frost is possible in central and eastern areas early in the day.

☐ **London, S E England, E Anglia, Central S England, E Midlands, Channel Isles:** dry and bright. Cloudy later with rain by evening. Wind mainly northerly, light. Max 13C (55F).

☐ **E England, W Midlands, S W England, Central N England:** cloudy with outbreaks of mainly light rain. Wind mainly northwesterly, light. Max 12C (54F).

☐ **S Wales, N Wales, N W England, Lake District, Isle of Man, N E England, Borders, Edinburgh & Dundee:** cloudy with rain at times. Brighter and mainly dry later. Wind northwest light, occasionally moderate. Max 12C (54F).

☐ **Aberdeen, S W Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, N E Scotland, Argyll, N W Scotland, N Ireland:** bright or sunny periods and scattered showers dying out later. Wind west or northwest light to moderate. Max 10C (50F).

☐ **Orkney, Shetland:** bright with a few showers becoming cloudy later. Perhaps a little light rain later. Wind mainly westerly, moderate. Max 9C (48F).

☐ **Outlook:** rain at first in the extreme southeast slowly moving away. All areas will then be mostly dry and bright with a few coastal showers.

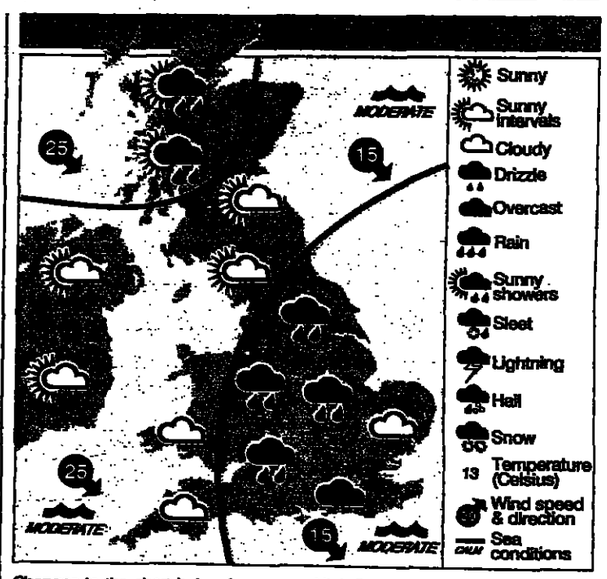
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	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F			Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Aberdeen	8.7	0.05	1	52	s	London	8.5	0.18	9	48	s
Anglesey	10.4	0.31	3	50	s	Lowestoft	5.3	0.02	8	46	r
Aspatria	10.8	-	11	52	s	Manchester	9.5	0.07	12	54	sh
Aviemore	5.7	0.06	10	50	s	Margate	5.5	0.04	9	48	sh
Belfast	8.0	0.06	11	52	s	Minehead	7.0	0.05	12	54	s
Birmingham	8.6	0.09	11	52	s	Morecambe	11.0	0.06	12	54	s
Bognor R	9.9	0.21	10	50	s	Newcastle	10.7	0.09	10	50	s
Bournem'th	10.7	0.06	11	52	s	Norwich	4.7	0.10	8	46	s
Bristol	9.9	0.02	11	52	s	Nottingham	10.3	0.09	10	50	s
Buxton	8.5	0.22	8	46	s	Penzance	9.4	0.06	11	52	s
Cardiff	11.7	0.24	11	52	s	Plymouth	10.5	0.06	11	52	s
Clacton	7.5	0.10	9	48	b	Poole	9.8	0.12	11	52	s
Cleethorpes	10.3	0.20	9	48	s	Ross-o-wye	8.3	0.04	12	54	s
Colwyn Bay	8.2	0.30	7	45	s	Rhyl	9.7	0.01	10	50	s
Cromer	X	-	7	45	s	Salcombe	9.0	0.05	12	54	s
Eastbourne	7.2	0.54	10	50	sh	Sandown	9.3	0.04	11	52	s
Edinburgh	7.4	-	10	50	b	Saunton Sd	8.1	0.06	11	52	s
Eskdalemuir	8.2	0.04	8	46	b	Scarboro'	10.1	0.29	8	46	s
Exmouth	9.4	0.10	10	50	s	Scilly Isles	9.5	0.06	10	50	s
Falmouth	X	-	10	50	s	Shanklin	X	0.10	11	52	s
Folkestone	8.9	0.18	9	48	sh	Skegness	10.2	0.12	8	46	s
Glasgow	5.9	-	13	55	b	Southport	10.6	0.09	9	48	s
Guernsey	7.4	-	11	52	b	Southsea	9.4	0.06	11	52	s
Hastings	6.7	0.60	10	50	sh	Stornoway	9.2	-	11	52	s
Hayling I.	9.3	0.07	11	52	s	Swanage	9.7	0.05	11	52	s
Herne Bay	8.6	0.08	8	46	h	Teignmouth	8.8	0.09	11	52	s
Hove	8.1	0.18	11	52	b	Tenby	10.1	0.05	11	52	s
Hunstanton	8.3	0.07	9	48	s	Tiree	8.4	-	11	52	s
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Jersey	8.0	0.04	11	52	s	Tynemouth	10.6	0.09	7	45	s
Kinloss	10.6	-	10	50	s	Ventnor	9.3	0.15	11	52	s
Leeds	10.6	0.01	11	52	s	West-o-mare	X	-	11	52	s
Lerwick	10.4	-	9	48	s	Weymouth	10.6	0.06	11	52	s
Leuchars	7.8	-	9	48	b	Wick	X				
Littlehmpto	9.7	0.11	10	50	s						
Liverpool	10.5	0.07	10	50	s						

These are Sunday's figures

Ajaccio	12	54	f	G'thagn	8	46	f	Majorca	18	64	f
Alicatif	18	68	s	Corfu	16	61	c	Malaga	20	68	f
Alex'dria	21	70	s	Dublin	9	48	f	Malta	18	64	s
Algiers	23	73	f	Dubrovnik	13	55	r	Malb'rne	14	57	s
Amst'dm	4	39	h	Faro	20	68	f	Miami	27	81	c
Athens	18	64	f	Florence	7	45	r	Milan	12	54	f
Bahrain	28	79	s	Frankfurt	8	46	c	Montreal	11	52	s
Bangkok	35	95	s	Funchal	17	63	f	Moscow	5	41	c
Barbados	29	84	s	Geneva	6	43	sl	Munich	8	46	c
Barcelona	15	59	f	Gibraltar	19	66	f	Naples	11	52	r
Beirut	20	68	s	Helsinki	11	52	s	N York	18	64	c
Belgrade	11	52	r	Hong K	22	72	f	Nice	15	59	f
Berlin	6	43	r	Innsbruck	7	45	c	Oslo	10	50	f
Bermuda	22	72	c	Istanbul	16	61	f	Paris	4	39	c
Biarritz	11	52	c	Jo'burg	23	73	f	Peking	13	55	f
Borde'x	10	50	r	Karachi	33	91	s	Perth	23	73	s
Brussels	9	48	s	L Palmas	22	72	s	Prague	1	34	d
Budapest	9	48	f	Le Touqt	5	41	s	Reykjavik	4	39	r
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Cairo	31	88	s	Locarno	11	52	c	Rio de J	31	88	f
Cape Tn	27	81	s	L Angels	18	64	s	Riyadh	31	88	s
Chicago	11	52	s	Luxembg	8	43	c	Rome	9	48	r
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Stkholm	10	50	s
Strasb'rg	6	43	c
Sydney	24	75	s
Tangier	17	63	f
Tel Aviv	24	75	s
Tenerife	20	68	s
Tokyo	12	54	s
Toronto	13	55	s
Tunis	25	73	s
Valencia	23	73	c
Venc'ver	11	52	f
Venice	11	52	c
Vienna	7	45	c
Warsaw	12	54	f
Wash'ton	19	66	r
Wel'ngton	21	70	s
Zurich	7	45	f

X = not available



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TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	2.32	6.99	2.51	7.08	Liverpool	11.58	9.15	—	—
Aberdeen	1.57	4.05	2.07	4.07	Lowestoft	10.19	2.39	10.25	2.42
Avonmouth	7.55	12.85	8.06	12.89	Margate	12.29	4.61	12.53	4.57
Belfast	11.47	3.30	—	—	Milford Haven	6.54	6.75	7.06	6.71
Cardiff	7.40	11.89	7.51	11.96	Newquay	5.44	6.9	5.58	6.7
Devonport	5.21	5.5	5.27	5.3	Oban	8.21	3.9	8.28	3.9
Dover	11.46	6.32	11.58	6.43	Penzance	5.17	5.4	5.34	5.4
Falmouth	5.51	5.1	6.07	5.1	Portland	7.23	2.0	7.41	2.0
Glasgow	1.37	4.5	1.55	4.5	Portsmouth	—	—	12.05	4.5
Harwich	12.20	2.85	12.40	3.86	Shoreham	—	—	12.05	6.07
Holyhead	11.00	5.37	11.17	5.33	Southampton	11.35	4.35	11.49	4.40
Hull	7.00	7.20	7.11	7.39	Swansea	7.01	9.32	7.14	9.21
Ilfracombe	6.37	8.96	6.52	8.98	Tees	4.12	5.06	4.24	5.18
King's Lynn	7.06	6.4	7.16	6.5	W'ton-on-Nze	12.13	4.11	12.33	4.11
Leith	3.18	5.25	3.36	5.30					

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Sun rises: 6.12 am
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Moon sets: 2.45 pm
Moon rises: 6.32 am

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Bristol 8.01 pm to 6.20 am
Edinburgh 6.13 pm to 6.13 am
Manchester 8.04 pm to 6.15 am
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Lancer Boss 'forced under'

Receiver says German banks pulled the plug

BY ROSS TIEMAN AND COLIN NARBROUGH

GERMAN banks have been blamed by an administrative receiver for forcing Lancer Boss, the last British-owned fork lift truck manufacturer, into administration.

Allan Griffiths, the head of insolvency at Grant Thornton and administrator to Lancer Boss, said bankers to Steinbock Boss, Lancer's German subsidiary, pulled the plug after British directors refused to approve its sale to a major German manufacturer.

But Bayerische Hypotheken Bank, leader of a consortium of German creditor banks said the banks had no alternative than to seek bankruptcy proceedings after Lancer Boss failed to meet a noon deadline last Friday to find more capital for its German company.

The German banks' move followed the collapse of talks between Lancer Boss and Jungheinrich, the German company Mr Griffiths was referring to, which said it has long been offering to take over part or all of the Lancer Boss group. Talks were broken off in Hamburg last Wednesday.

Mr Griffiths said any sale of the German arm alone would have undermined the viability of the British plant in Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire, and lowered the amount which could be realised for creditors to the business.

Hans-Peter Schmohl, Jungheinrich's technical director yesterday addressed workers at the Steinbock Boss plant at Moosburg, near Munich, assuring them that his company wanted the bankrupt German firm to be kept intact.

Mr Griffiths, who was appointed on Friday afternoon, said he had already been approached by potential buyers including two substantial British firms that wanted to buy the entire business and had the funds to do so.

Peter Flesher, a senior insolvency partner from Grant Thornton, was last night flying to Munich to seek talks with the German lawyer appointed as receiver to Lancer's German arm.

Mr Griffiths said yesterday afternoon that he had been unable to contact the lawyer despite repeated efforts. Mr Griffiths said: "Whilst I am confident of being able to achieve the sale of the combined UK and German operations, the intentions of the German administrator are not yet clear, and this could have a major impact." He added: "This is an extremely unusual situation. It is annoying for me because I would prefer to have control of the whole business to be able to make decisions."

The German banking consortium is believed to have been in direct contact with National Westminster Bank, one of the main banks to Lancer Boss in Britain, before taking the decision to initiate bankruptcy proceedings at Steinbock Boss.

Lancer Boss's British and German plants are completely integrated, Mr Griffiths said, with each supplying components to the other and producing vehicles in a complementary range. The Munich plant has focused on building electric trucks, while Leighton Buzzard has concentrated on making diesel and gas-powered vehicles.

Lancer Boss has annual sales of £160 million, of which £90 million is generated in Britain, and commands 12 per cent of the world market. The highly-efficient UK plant, which employs 600 workers, also builds trucks for Komatsu, of Japan, and Rolatruck, of Sweden. The administrators were expected to meet Komatsu bosses yesterday evening to discuss whether production of Komatsu trucks can be maintained at the present level of up to 120 a month.

The administrators yesterday declared 19 redundancies among head office and "peripheral" staff. However, production was quickly resumed after workers had been briefed on the situation.

Union leaders said the British plant had been returned to profitability after restructuring last year and they too were confident a buyer would be found for the business. In addition to the workers at its Leighton Buzzard plant, Lancer has 170 employees at 15 sales depots across Britain.

Mr Mr Griffiths said the chairman of Lancer Boss, Sir Neville Bowman-Shaw, and his brother Trevor, the co-owner of the company, had apparently been aware of discussions by the German banks about a possible sale. However, they understood the talks were exploring a possible purchase of the whole business, he said.

On Friday, however, they were asked to approve a sale of the Munich business alone.

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Griffiths: unhappy

PETER TREVNOR



Lancer Boss staff, yesterday, returned to work at the Leighton Buzzard fork-lift plant

Credit at a record £5bn

BY JANET BUSH
ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

CONSUMERS borrowed slightly more in February than in January, but there is evidence that demand for credit slowed down along with retail sales in the run-up to the tax increases.

Net new credit rose to £277 million from £235 million in January, according to the Central Statistical Office. The rise was due to increased borrowing from finance houses, reflecting cheap credit deals offered by motor manufacturers and many retailers. Borrowing on bank credit cards was unchanged. CSO consumer credit figures exclude personal loans from banks and building societies and all mortgage lending.

Although credit granted in February rose to a monthly record of £5.01 billion, from £4.74 billion in January, weak net new credit figures show that consumers may be using credit cards as a means of payment, but are not building up debts. This was the message of the recent report from The Financial Research Survey and NOP, which showed that in 1993 61 per cent of credit card holders paid bills in full each month, compared with 53 per cent in 1989.

Simon Briscoe, chief economist at S.G. Warburg, said that growth in credit demand has decelerated from late last year. In the three months to February, net lending totalled £937 million, down from the £1.08 billion in the three months to November. In the September to December period, monthly credit demand averaged £375 million.

The only area of strong credit demand is cars. Infolink, the credit information organisation, said that February saw a 16.7 per cent jump in requests for new car loans, against a year ago.

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Brown & Jackson thrown a lifeline

BY COLIN CAMPBELL

A FINANCIAL lifeline has been given to Brown & Jackson, the loss-making Pound-stretcher discount chain, by Vera and Gerald Weisfeld, who made £50 million when they sold the rival What Everyone Wants chain in 1990.

They are willing to inject £6 million into B&J via nil coupon convertible loan notes, become non-executive directors and enter into a minimum three-year consultancy agreement, for which they will each be paid £500 a day, subject to a maximum annual payment of £25,000. The plan would save 4,000 jobs throughout the biggest chain of discount stores.

Mr Weisfeld said the consultancy fee was, in itself, not important, and might well go to charity, and that he and his wife would devote whatever time and energy was needed.

He "came across" B&J about 12 days ago and now owns 3 million shares. He has options to subscribe for a further 298.8 million at 7.5p, which will give them 41.46 per cent of B&J.

He said: "I've been in the discounting business all my life. I have lived through and survived three recessions. I have some ideas, and we look forward to getting back into business."

Ian Gray, B&J's chief executive, said the Weisfeld proposals represent "the only option currently available" that meets the request from the group's bankers to secure B&J's long-term future. He was delighted to have secured their offer of financial support.

Fresh talks with group bankers about a revised working capital facility are under way. B&J reported losses of £12 million last year and said it could have to close down if bankers continued to decline to advance £14 million of working capital.

Mr Gray said yesterday that sales in the 13 weeks to April 2 were 4 per cent above last year, and like-for-like sales were 1 per cent higher.

B&J shares rose from 3p to 4½p.

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Gatt treaty will cut 38% from tariffs

IMPORT duties on industrial goods will be cut by an average 38 per cent by the advanced economies under the world trade agreement to be signed at the end of this week in Marrakech, Morocco, according to Peter Sutherland, director-general of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. (Colin Narbrough writes).

On the eve of the four-day Gatt conference, to be attended by ministers from more than 120 countries, Mr Sutherland said the Uruguay Round treaty would also double the number of products entering the industrialised countries tariff-free from the developing world.

Mr Sutherland renewed a call to the major economies to ratify the Uruguay Round pact by the end of this year amid growing doubts that President Clinton may be unable to get the treaty through Congress by December.

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Rentokil chief nets £2.8m paper profit

BY MARTIN FLANAGAN AND PATRICIA TEHAN

CLIVE Thompson, the chief executive of Rentokil who earned £658,000 last year, made a nominal profit of £2.83 million on the exercise of share options awarded as part of his remuneration package.

Mr Thompson exercised options over 1.65 million shares at a price of 45.78p a share, against the then price of 217p in the stock market. He has retained the shares and increased his investment in the company, rather than selling.

Mr Thompson's holding in Rentokil is 2.8 million shares, worth £6.5 million at yesterday's price of 231p. He had options over a further 2.1 million shares at an average exercise price of 86.47p on December 31, 1993. Less than two weeks ago, he was granted an additional 496,987 share options.

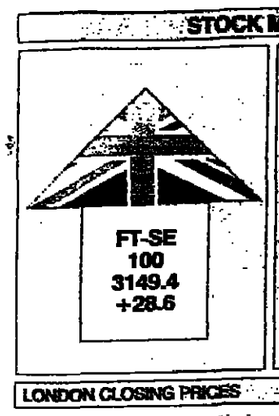
Meanwhile, Owners Abroad, the travel company that had a troubled 1993, including a hostile takeover bid, a Takeover Panel probe and changed senior management, revealed it had granted Francis Baron, the new chief executive who joined last November, 961,373 share options at 116.5p. Malcolm Heald, the finance director who joined in January, has been granted 214,592 options at 116.5p.

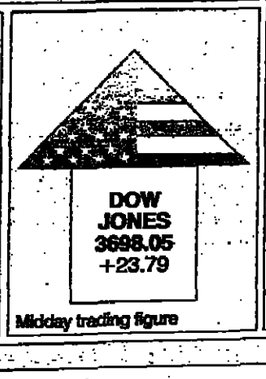
The options are exercisable after five years and only in full if they outperform the FT-SE by 100 per cent in that time.

Sir William Purves, chairman of HSBC Holdings, Midland Bank's parent, was awarded an expatriate pay scheme last year, that enabled him to receive total pay and benefits of £1.06 million, up by £16,000 on the previous year.

The package was made up of a salary and other emoluments increase from £890,000 to £910,000, fees of £15,000, a £40,000 discretionary bonus, and £96,000 in pension contributions. Sir William moved over to London in October, losing his expatriate benefits, which included having tax paid by the company, a company flat and flights to the UK. He will now be liable for UK taxation.

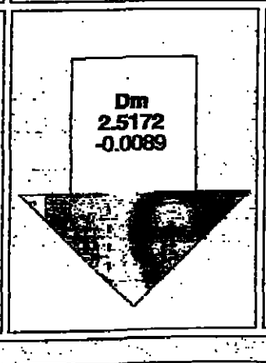
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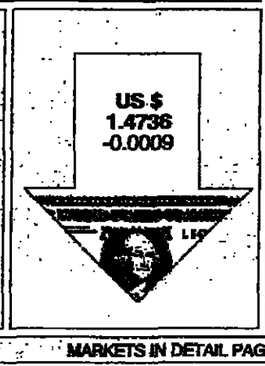




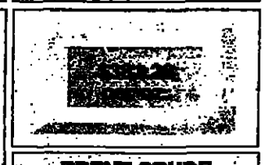
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Late payment of bills pushes up business failures

By Philip Bassett
Industrial Editor

LATE payments and unpaid debts are pushing up the number of business failures, a new survey of companies going out of business suggested yesterday.

Michael Heseltine, the President of the Board of Trade, is currently considering new steps by the Government aimed at reducing the impact of late payments by companies, though the trade department looks likely to draw back from establishing a statutory right of interest on late payments.

Figures published yesterday by Trade Indemnity, the credit insurance group, suggested that the number of business failures in the first quarter of this year will rise sharply — and placed the blame on worsening overdue payments.

In preliminary computer estimates of the first quarter's figure, TI said that the number of business failures would rise by about 11 per cent in the first quarter compared with the previous three months — though the overall trend in failures is downwards.

A rise in failures in the first quarter of each year is usual, and TI said that the expected rise over the first three months of 1994, to more than 1,030, is less than might have been expected, confirming the downward trend. The number of failures is likely to be down by more than 40 per cent on the same period last year.

The company said that the "unwelcome rise" in the quarterly business failure figures followed worsening statistics on overdue payments in the final quarter of 1993, and warned that if this trend was confirmed by the summer, then business failure rates could remain high.

In the last three months of 1993, none of the 532 companies sampled in the TI survey could report being paid on time, and the average value of unpaid debt has now risen for six months, so that it now stands per company at more than £132,000.

Warning that unpaid debts on such a scale threatened the survival of many otherwise successful companies despite the overall economic recovery, William Simpson, TI chief economist, said such debt was "contagious" and added: "We don't know whether they can last with this size of debt for long." Overdue payments were, he said, a "loose cannon" threatening the recovery.

Credit insurance companies believe that even companies with good credit management facilities are finding it increasingly difficult to recover money owed to them.

Leading business organisations such as the Confederation of British Industry and the British Chambers of Commerce are putting pressure on Mr Heseltine to take steps to ease the economic impact of late payments, though they are divided on the best method to adopt.

The DTI said last night that the department was now studying the results of a government consultation exercise on what to do about late payment, and would want to take the appropriate steps as quickly as possible because ministers were aware of the scale of the difficulty caused by overdue payments.

MARTIN BEDDALL



Michael Heseltine is studying ways to help creditors

Fixed-rate mortgages cost more

Lloyds Bank and Nationwide Building Society have announced new, dearer fixed-rate mortgages and withdrawn their existing ranges.

Nationwide is introducing a new two-tier system, with lower rates for customers with larger deposits. The new two-year rate for both first-time buyers and existing borrowers rises from 6.29 per cent to 6.69 per cent for those borrowing 85 per cent of a property's value and 6.89 per cent for those needing a larger loan.

Lloyds Bank has withdrawn the rates offered since the beginning of December, replacing them with new rates between 0.25 per cent and 0.74 per cent more expensive. The bank is offering a 15 and a 20-year rate of 9.5 per cent.

US gas plea

CEDRIC Brown, chief executive of British Gas, called on America to open up its gas industry to foreign competitors. In a speech to oil and gas experts in Washington, he said: "At the distribution end of the business here, we still have a series of local monopolies." British Gas was looking for "fully reciprocal arrangements" with other countries.

Kitty bigger

Shares in Kitty Little Group, the fast-growing consumer products company quoted on the USM, were suspended at 4½p ahead of news that it is to substantially expand its operations through a French acquisition. The Stoke-on-Trent company, in which Benson Eyecare of America has a 28 per cent stake, has signed a letter of intent to buy Groupe L'Amy, one of the leading manufacturers of spectacle frames in Europe.

Plantations up

Anglo-Eastern Plantations enjoyed slightly higher rubber and cocoa prices in the year ended December 31, and pre-tax profits rose from £1.32 million to £2.84 million. The total payout rises to 1.65p (1.375p).

Bus drive

West Midlands Travel has taken a majority stake in Westlink, which runs 120 buses in south-east London, for £2 million. The acquisition brings WMT's fleet to 1,800 buses.

Liquidator seeks £23m over BCCI

THE six-strong committee of creditors of the collapsed Bank of Credit and Commerce International are to be asked to approve a 1994 fee budget of £23.7 million for the liquidators from Touche Ross, the accountant.

The committee has received the budget proposals, which include £16.8 million for the English liquidation, but a minority of members is understood to be unhappy at the size of the fees, even though the figure is much smaller that the $84.4 million in the year to January 1993.

Last year's fees were shown in US dollars in the liquidators' report to the Department of Trade and Industry.

The committee has given the liquidators the go-ahead to draw down payments on account until the budget is formally presented for approval.

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Cranfield Malaysian deal one of first since row

By Our Industrial Editor

BRITAIN is linking with Malaysia in a new high-technology research centre in one of the first business deals struck since relations soured between the two countries over UK press allegations concerning the Malaysian government.

The deal is one of the first cracks in the Malaysian government's ban on agreements with British organisations after the political row over the Pergau dam affair and UK press allegations, principally carried in *The Sunday Times*, that UK companies were ready to pay bribes to senior Malaysian politicians.

British ministers, led by Douglas Hurd, the Foreign Secretary, and business leaders have urged the resumption of normal relations between the two countries. John Patten, the Education Secretary, last week returned from a diplomatic bridge-building mission to Malaysia with a delegation of education leaders and industrialists.

Dr Mahathir Mohamed, the Malaysian Prime Minister, has insisted that the ban will stay, warning that there is a price to be paid if the British press "chooses to have the freedom to tell lies".

However, Cranfield University yesterday announced that it had won a two-year international competition to develop a centre of high-technology and research for Malaysia and the Asia-Pacific region more generally.

Cranfield's School of Management said that despite the "current uncertainty" over the relationship between the British and Malaysian governments, the school would be collaborating with the Selangor state government and five key Malaysian companies to create a new technological training body called the Hi-tech Management Technology Research Institute (HITEC).

The institute, to be built over the next two years, will carry out teaching and research in a range of areas, including satellite communications and environmental management. The companies involved are Hicom, Permodlan Nasional, Perusahaan Otomobil Nasional, Edaran Otomobil Nasional and Malaysian Airlines Systems.

Professor Leo Murray, director of Cranfield's school of management, said that the strained relations had affected the deal, which in its final stages was off on some days, and then on. An Asian management school had also been brought in at the last minute.

But welcoming the deal as cementing Cranfield's relationship with Malaysia, he said: "Malaysia is a dynamic and rapidly evolving economy" with the Hitec initiative taking place within Malaysia's strategic national plan aimed at delivering continued national growth.

The Department of Trade and Industry said that the Cranfield deal was one of the first of its kind since relations between the two governments became strained.

Vineyard founder takes on Paribas

By Robert Miller

DAVID Chapman is to make a last-ditch attempt to save his business, the Bewl Valley Vineyard in East Sussex, from being repossessed by the French-owned Banque Paribas on Thursday.

He is appealing to the county court in Tunbridge Wells to overturn an earlier ruling. This granted possession of the organic vineyard as part of the surrounding farmland belonging to his father on an ancient point of law known as Propietary Estoppel. The vineyard was started from scratch in 1983 when Mr Chapman's father, Kenneth, gave him 15 acres. At the time, no written agreement was made. Christopher Heron, senior partner of Pegram Heron, the solicitor acting on behalf of Mr Chapman, argues that under Propietary Estoppel a written agreement is not necessary.

He said: "The law states that where one person spends money or otherwise acts in the full belief that they will at some stage be granted a particular piece of land or, at least another property, it can form the basis of a claim under Propietary Estoppel.

"We have already produced a signed affidavit from Mr Chapman's father stating that he gave the land to his son on this basis. There are case precedents which we shall be using, including one from 1865 and more recently by Lord Denning in 1965."

David Chapman said: "Myself and my partner raised money in various tranches as we established the vineyard on an original site of seven acres. Our capital investment covered 4,000 grapevines and 4,000 posts as well as some 35 miles of wire. There are also the buildings and machinery.

"The first wine was produced in 1987 followed by the first full commercial crop of 5,000 bottles in 1989 which we sold to Oddbins. We had full Soil Association approval which is necessary to use the organic label."

By 1992, the vineyard was producing nearly 25,000 bottles of organic wine. Less than 2 per cent of Britain's 200 vineyards are entitled to use the official organic tag.

Mr Chapman's problems began in 1990 when his father ran into financial difficulties with the mortgage on his farmhouse. Last September, Banque Paribas obtained a possession order on the farm and then sought a charging order on the vineyard.

A spokesman for Banque Paribas said: "We are entirely open to any reasonable suggestions, but none has been forthcoming for two-and-a-half years, during which time no payments have been made on the mortgage."

TONY WHITE



David Chapman at Bewl Valley Vineyard, East Sussex

1995, to Jan Cole Clare) and [illegible] Gordon House, 10 Greencoat [illegible]

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☐ BCCI's creditors shake the sieve ☐ Consumers get it right on the High Street ☐ The Jungheinrich factor

The proof of Touche's pudding

☐ IT IS a good job that the Bank of Credit and Commerce International's six-member creditors committee is bound by a confidentialy agreement regarding matters pertaining to liquidators Touche Ross's fees — otherwise who knows what degree of rumour and innuendo might swirl around.

Confidentiality agreement or no, word has been leaked that the creditors committee has baulked at Touche Ross's estimate of fees — reputed to be in the region of £23 million — for the year to January 1995 and has refused to daub its approval. Just for good measure, it has been pointed out that Touche Ross's overall fees from the liquidation of BCCI's UK operations, as at mid-February, amounted to some £98 million.

Meanwhile, the indirectly delivered message from the creditors committee is that the confidentiality agreement is "draconian" and serves to "stifle debate". So be it, but the implications of a confidentiality agreement should not be beyond even the wit of a BCCI creditor to assess at the time of signature and, in any case, the agreement has not been kept.

In the event, Touche Ross has presented the creditors committee with several — rather than one — budget proposals, each reflecting a different scenario. For scenario, in the case of BCCI, one would be on emminently safe ground to read litigation backdrop. It is, indeed, true that the creditors committee has not approved Touche Ross's 1994-95 fee estimate. Equally true is the fact that although Touche Ross has presented estimates, the committee has not yet been asked for its approval. The figures have yet to be debated.

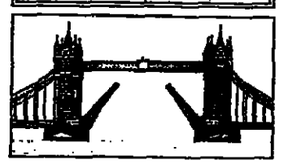
Come the debate, the committee will at least have the benefit of analysing the compilation of Touche Ross's estimates; a somewhat crucial aspect of data which has not, to date, fallen through the sieve. In the absence of such data, debate is, as the creditors like to put it, somewhat "stifled". Another figure that has failed to filter through the mesh is £16.8 million: the perceived benchmark for Touche Ross's 1994-95 UK liquidation fees. Meanwhile, Touche Ross is currently preparing its return to the DTI as to costs of the BCCI liquidation for 1993-94. Such costs would, of course, have been significantly lower if creditors had not consistently opposed the liquidators — witness the abortive $1.7 billion deal with the Abu Dhabi authorities, via the Luxembourg court, in the autumn of 1993 and rejection, a year ago, of a $1.8 billion settlement. The Abu Dhabi stakes have now been raised to £1.8 billion but the game still has to be funded.

Proof of the liquidators' pudding will lie inside (or outside) the courts: a matter which Price Waterhouse and Ernst & Whinney — now part of Ernst & Young — facing claims of up to £7.5 billion, doubtless muse over. Not to mention a mere £500 million claim against the Bank of England.

Cat and mouse with retailers

☐ BRITISH consumers have rarely been so canny about value for money. It has been clear for months that they are extremely price sensitive and have played a clever game of cat and mouse with retailers. Every time retailers try to rebuild their margins and put prices up, consumers have backed off. When the

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discounts return, back they come.

The same rational behaviour is clear in consumer attitudes towards credit. Finance house credit has been rising, credit card debt has been flat. The simple reason for this is that finance houses have been offering a wide range of extremely attractive credit deals, many of them interest free and many on long pay-back periods.

In comparison, borrowing on credit cards is extremely expensive. Consumers are using them as a convenient way to pay but are not running up credit card debts. After net borrowing of £38 million and £36 million in November and December, the run-up to Christmas, consumers repaid £6 million borrowed on credit cards in January, and February saw no resumption of net borrowing.

Consumer borrowing is as sensitive to interest rates as spending is to price. In fact, there is a close correlation between the pattern of consumer credit and trends in retail sales, particularly if you strip food out of sales. Strong food sales, due largely to the intensifying supermarket price wars, have hugely flattered the profile of sales. In the last three months, food sales rose 1.3 per cent compared with the previous three months, while non-food was virtually flat between the two periods.

In 1991, both consumer credit and non-food retail sales fell fairly consistently and then flattened out in 1992. They rose steadily throughout last year, both peaking in August. Since then, both consumer credit and non-food retail sales have decelerated, suggesting that consumer confidence waned as the realisation of impending tax increases took hold.

These patterns do not suggest that consumers are about to close their wallets, cut up their credit cards and stay at home because of tax increases, but they are evidence that it is a borrowers' and spenders' market out there. Retailers and finance providers will have to go on offering good deals to attract custom and the Government will have to guard against relying on consumers to keep the economic recovery going by running down their savings and borrowing more. The indebtedness of the 1980s is not easily forgotten.

Lancer boss's conundrum

☐ EUROPE'S chaotic insolvency regime stands on the brink of another disaster. After the piecemeal rescue of Leyland DAF, must we watch the piecemeal destruction of Lancer Boss?

The breakdown of talks aimed at a sale of the last British-owned lift truck maker to its German rival Jungheinrich threatens to destroy the British end of the business. Frustrated by the refusal of the British directors to agree a deal, the German banks put the German subsidiary, which owes them money, into receivership. The German receiver has restarted sale talks with Jungheinrich. Meanwhile, the British end, which depends on the German business for an interchange of components and orders, has had to be placed in administration.

Allan Griffiths, the administrator to the UK business, says the whole is worth more than the sum of the parts. He is probably right. He has already received two credible offers for the whole business, and laments that it is not all his to sell.

Such a division of responsibility in insolvency cases clearly mitigates against the survival of the business. It is inimical to the preservation of jobs and it undermines the competition that prevents monopolistic pricing. It is also against the interest of creditors.

The German receiver should suspend discussions with Jungheinrich immediately and start talking to Mr Griffiths. Jungheinrich says it wanted the whole of Lancer Boss, and may want it all again. Fine. But it should be obliged to bid for it competitively. Failure to pursue such a course of action will encourage calls for harmonisation of European insolvency law. It will also inflame Anglo-Saxon suspicions of a German fix.

Burmah oils the wheels of fortune

■ **Burmah Castrol expects to spend £50 million on acquisitions this year, mainly in lubricants or chemicals businesses in Europe and the United States**

BY CARL MORTISHED

RECORD spending on promotion and marketing helped to lubricate profits growth at Burmah Castrol last year, in spite of a severely depressed European market.

The company, which sells Castrol GTX motor oil, raised pre-tax profits 18 per cent to £194 million in 1993, mainly due to a strong performance from its core lubricants business, which increased volumes 5 per cent worldwide.

Burmah made a major push last year to raise market share, splashing out on Formula One sponsorship and advertising on Star TV in Asia. Volume gains in the USA and in Asia, combined with a stronger dollar and a weak oil price, helped to push lubricant profits from £127 million to £155 million. Lower sterling added £208 million to group turnover in 1993 and £22 million to total operating profits of £231 million (£204 million).

Burmah is raising the dividend 9 per cent to 27.5p and is again offering an enhanced scrip alternative, which is likely to be struck at a 50 per cent premium to the final dividend of 11p. Lawrence Urquhart, chairman, said: "We have a serious ACT problem and we have a good home for the cash." Because Burmah has substantial overseas earnings it is unable to offset ACT payable on dividends against its tax liabilities. Assuming a similar take-up of the final to that of the interim scrip dividend, the company expects to save £4.5 million in cash.

Recession in Germany hit Burmah's industrial oils business, and Burmah's specialty chemicals business suffered from weak growth in the OECD economies. Jonathan Fry, chief executive, said that chemicals had reached its low point in the cycle. The rationalisation of Foseco, the business acquired in 1990 for £270 million, had been completed and the benefits would be felt this year.

Record advertising spend in the US has put the Castrol brand in second place in the DIY market there. In Asia, which scored a 44 per cent rise in profits from lubricants, the company also claims market share gains and recently increased its holding in Castrol in India to 51 per cent, making it the third largest Castrol business after the USA and Germany, valued on the Bombay Stock Exchange at an astonishing £1 billion. Mr Fry said he expected competition in lubricants in India to increase but added: "We expect it will take two years for the competition to establish themselves." Fewer liquefied natural gas cargos, because of recession in Japan, depressed Burmah's LNG business from profits of £16 million in 1992 to £15 million last year.

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ADRIAN BROOKS

Tom Pyne, chief executive, said a contingent liability reserve would cover any compensation claims for bad pensions advice

Life assurer boosted by lower interest bill

BY SARAH BAGNALL, INSURANCE CORRESPONDENT

A NEAR-£30 million drop in its interest bill helped London and Manchester Group, the Exeter life assurance and financial services group, lift 1993 profits 42 per cent.

Pre-tax profit for the year to December 31 rose from £23.4 million to £33.4 million, boosted by a rise in profits of the insurance operations coupled with a return to profit by the group's non-insurance activities.

The final dividend was lifted from 9.6p to 10.56p, making a total for the year of 15.68p, up 10 per cent, and paid out of earnings of 20.49p a share. London and Manchester's share price rose 2p to 377p.

Net insurance earnings were up £1.3 million to £32 million in spite of a £370,000 fall in investment income to £2.3 million.

Tom Pyne, chief executive, said the group was setting up a contingent liability reserve for any possible compensation required for bad pensions advice, but "between 1988 and now, we never had a market share of more than 2.8 per cent".

The non-insurance activities, comprising investment management, consumer finance, estate agency and mortgage lending, made a £2.5 million profit having lost £6.5 million last time.

The biggest improvements were made by the estate agency chain, which reduced its loss from £3.4 million to £1.2 million, and the residential mortgage lending operation, which turned a £3.7 million loss into a £846,000 profit. Consumer finance lifted profits from £386,000 to £2.2 million.

Wellcome to merge R&D divisions

BY SARAH BAGNALL

WELLCOME, the pharmaceuticals group, is merging its UK, American and Japanese research and development divisions. Trevor Jones, its UK head of research and development, will be shifted to work on strategic projects — a move that the City expects will prompt his departure from the company.

David W. Barry, 50, has been appointed director of research development and medical affairs (RD&M), with responsibility for the group's entire RD&M programme.

Dr Jones and Dr Barry held similar posts on opposite sides of the Atlantic and both were main board directors of Wellcome. Nigel Barnes, an analyst at Hoare Govett, said: "Streamlining the managerial structure can only benefit the decision-making process."

In 1993, total spending on research and development stood at £326 million, of which £175 million was in America, £128 million in the UK and £23 million in the rest of the world.

A spokesman for Wellcome said that the merging of the operations was aimed at accelerating the progression of drugs in the pipeline and might also lead to speeding up decisions to cut projects.

Last month, Wellcome announced that it had pulled one of its two drugs for the treatment of herpes, code 882C (netivudine), from development just as it was entering phase three, the last stage of clinical trials.

Wellcome hopes that its proposed change will enable drugs to be launched in various markets within months of each other rather than years, as is often the case at present.

Analysts welcomed the merging of the research and development operations and said that it was long overdue.

QS shares hit by profit fall

BY MARTIN FLANAGAN

SHARES in QS Holdings, the southern-based discount clothing-shop chain, dipped 7p to 228p in response to a sharp decline in profits.

However, the company said it recovered strongly in the second half, which contributed £3.57 million of yearly taxable profits of £5.25 million (£8.47 million).

Marc Walters, chairman, was cautiously optimistic that the more upbeat trend in second-half sales would be sustained. The first half had been hit partly by bad early summer weather undermining sales of T-shirts.

QS's average sales area during the year to January 28, 1994, increased by 20 per cent, with 14 new stores, six relocations and two extensions — all financed from existing cash resources. The 100th store would open this summer.

Earnings per share fell to 8.49p (14.22p). A final dividend of 3.63p makes an unchanged total of 5.10p.

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HIGHLIGHTS

FROM THE 1993 REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

- 1993 not an easy year, with recession in Continental Europe
- Tough action taken - divestments in Spain plus cost reduction programme, especially in Germany
- Still cautious regarding recovery in European markets but some improvement now showing through in UK and North America
- Strong balance sheet supports growth objectives

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the One Hundred and Sixtyeighth Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Scottish Amicable Life Assurance Society will be held in The Glasgow Hilton Hotel, 1 William Street, Glasgow G3 8HT on Wednesday 27th April 1994 at 11.00 a.m.

By Order of the Directors
J. C. Mitchell, Secretary
Amicable House, 150 St. Vincent Street
Glasgow G2 5NQ
9th March 1994

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EXETER FRIENDLY SOCIETY
Registered Number 91F
The 99th Annual General Meeting of the above Society will be held at the Exeter Golf & Country Club, Countess Wear, Exeter, on Wednesday 27th April 1994 at 3.00 p.m. AGENDA To Receive the Chairman's Report and Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet for 1993. Election of President, Vice-Presidents and Management Committee Members. If you wish to attend please contact the Chief Executive at Exeter Friendly Society, Beech Hill House, Walnut Gardens, Exeter, Devon, EX4 4DD. Telephone number 0392 75561.

LEGAL NOTICES

ANTHONY LIPTON & COMPANY (IN LIQUIDATION)
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with the provisions of Rule 11.2 of the Insolvency Rule 1986 that a first dividend will be paid within a period of four months from the date for proving. The last date for creditors to prove claims in the liquidation is 5th May 1994.
Creditors of the above named Company should send their addresses, descriptions and full particulars of their debt or claims to the undersigned.
STEPHEN DANIEL SWADEN, FCA
Leonard Curtis & Co.
P.O. Box 353,
30 Eastbourne Terrace,
London, W2 6LP
S.D. SWADEN
Liquidator

CITY MERCHANTS BANK LIMITED
(1978) RETIREMENT FUND
The Fund is to be wound up in the near future. Anyone who may be entitled to benefits from the Fund as a result of service before 31 December 1993 and who has not already heard from the Trustees should contact them at the address shown below not later than 15th June 1994.
The Trustees of the City Merchants Bank Limited (1978) Retirement Fund
15 Austin Friars
London
EC2N 2AJ

H.M. LAND REGISTRY
LOST CERTIFICATES
It is proposed to issue a new Certificate in respect of the land described below as stated to have been lost or destroyed. Any one possessing the missing certificate or objecting to the issue of a new one should at once notify The Nottingham District Land Registry of Chalfont Drive, Nottingham NG8 3RN. Charge certificate (freehold title No. DY71796). 10 Morden Green, Derby, proprietor of charge Peter Ian Rawlinson of Trevarnack, Grove Hill, Mawgan Smith, Falmouth Cornwall TR11 5ES formerly of 29 Byerforth Road,

LEGAL NOTICES

CLYDESDALE COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES LIMITED
A Petition having being presented by the Receivers of Clydesdale Commercial Properties Limited to the Vacation Judge at the Court of Session, Edinburgh for the winding-up of Clydesdale Commercial Properties Limited and the appointment of Roger Arthur Powdrill and Ralph Stephen Preece as Joint Interim Liquidators, the following deliverance was made:-
Edinburgh 7th April 1994
The Vacation Judge appoints the Petition to be intimated on the Walls in common form and to be advertised once in each of the Edinburgh Gazette, Herald and Times newspapers; grants warrant for service of the Petition as craved, together with a copy of this Interlocutor, upon the parties named and designed in the Schedule annexed to the Petition; allows them and all parties claiming an interest to lodge Answers thereto, if so advised, within 8 days after such intimation, advertisement and service.
Sgd. Q. A. Oliver DCS
For which intimation is hereby given.
Maclay Murray & Spens
Solicitors
3 Glenfinlas Street
Edinburgh
EH3 6AQ

CLYDESDALE ELECTRICAL STORES LIMITED
A Petition having being presented by the Receivers of Clydesdale Electrical Stores Limited to the Vacation Judge at the Court of Session, Edinburgh for the winding-up of Clydesdale Electrical Stores Limited and the appointment of Roger Arthur Powdrill and Ralph Stephen Preece as Joint Interim Liquidators, the following deliverance was made:-
Edinburgh 7th April 1994
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CLYDESDALE GROUP PLC
A Petition having being presented by the Receivers of Clydesdale Group plc to the Vacation Judge at the Court of Session, Edinburgh for the winding-up of Clydesdale Group plc and the appointment of Roger Arthur Powdrill and Ralph Stephen Preece as Joint Interim Liquidators, the following deliverance was made:-
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Sgd. Q. A. Oliver DCS
For which intimation is hereby given.
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No. 12886 OF 1993
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
ROY BREEZE
(IN BANKRUPTCY)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I, Stephen Woolf of Messrs Levy Gee and Partners, 100A Chalk Farm Road, London NW1 8EJ was appointed Trustee of the estate of the above named bankrupt on 3rd March 1994. All debts and claims should be sent to me at the above address.
Dated this 29th day of March 1994
Derrick S Woolf FCA

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CLYDESDALE PROMOTIONS LIMITED
A Petition having being presented by the Receivers of Clydesdale Promotions Limited to the Vacation Judge at the Court of Session, Edinburgh for the winding-up of Clydesdale Promotions Limited and the appointment of Roger Arthur Powdrill and Ralph Stephen Preece as Joint Interim Liquidators, the following deliverance was made:-
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Sgd. Q. A. Oliver DCS
For which intimation is hereby given.
Maclay Murray & Spens
Solicitors
3 Glenfinlas Street
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CLYDESDALE RENTAL LIMITED
A Petition having being presented by the Receivers of Clydesdale Rental Limited to the Vacation Judge at the Court of Session, Edinburgh for the winding-up of Clydesdale Rental Limited and the appointment of Roger Arthur Powdrill and Ralph Stephen Preece as Joint Interim Liquidators, the following deliverance was made:-
Edinburgh 7th April 1994
The Vacation Judge appoints the Petition to be intimated on the Walls in common form and to be advertised once in each of the Edinburgh Gazette, Herald and Times newspapers; grants warrant for service of the Petition as craved, together with a copy of this interlocutor, upon the parties named and designed in the Schedule annexed to the Petition; allows them and all parties claiming an interest to lodge Answers thereto, if so advised, within 8 days after such intimation, advertisement and service.
Sgd. Q. A. Oliver DCS
For which intimation is hereby given.
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COMPANIES ACT 1985 - SECTION 176
DnB HOLDINGS LIMITED
Registered in England No. 999729
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 176 of the Companies Act 1985 that:
1. the above-named company has approved a payment out of capital for the purpose of acquiring its own shares by purchase;
2. the amount of the permissible capital payment for the shares in question is £4,767,000 and the resolution approving such payment out of capital was passed on 6 April 1994;
3. the statutory declaration of the directors and the auditors' report required by section 173 of the said Act are available for inspection at the Company's registered office at 20 St Dunstan's Hill, London, EC3R 8HY; and
4. any creditor of the company may at any time within the 5 weeks immediately following 6 April 1994 apply to the court under Section 176 of the said Act for an order prohibiting the payment.
Christopher Treganna
Company Secretary

H. FARMAN LIMITED
T/A FARMAN SHOPS LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a Meeting of Creditors of the above named Company will be held at Halpern Woolf & Partners, Halpern House, 301-305 Euston Road, London NW1 3BB at 11.00am on Tuesday 19th April 1994 for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99, 100 and 101 of the said Act.
Pursuant to Section 98 (2) of the Act Rule of the names and addresses of the Company's Creditors will be available for inspection free of charge at the offices of Halpern Woolf & Partners, Insolvency Practitioners, Halpern House, 301-305, Euston Road, London, NW1 3BB on the two business days falling next before the day of the Meeting.
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
N.M. Farman
Chairman
Dated this 8th day of April 1994

H.M. LAND REGISTRY
LOST CERTIFICATES
It is proposed to issue new Certificates to replace those described below are stated to have been lost or destroyed. Anyone possessing the missing certificates or objecting to the issue of new ones should at once notify the Gloucester District Land Registry of Turyer House, Bruton Way, Gloucester GL1 1DQ. Land Certificates freehold title Nos BK194020 and BK203987. The Coachmans Arms, 5 Church Street, Slough, Berks and land to the north of Chapel Street, Slough, Berks. Proprietor Imperial Breweries & Leisure Limited of Anchor Terrace, Southwark Bridge, London, SE1 2UR.

MG (REALISATIONS) LIMITED
A Petition having being presented by the Receivers of MG (Realisations) Limited to the Vacation Judge at the Court of Session, Edinburgh for the winding-up of MG (Realisations) Limited and the appointment of Roger Arthur Powdrill and Ralph Stephen Preece as Joint Interim Liquidators, the following deliverance was made:-
Edinburgh 7th April 1994
The Vacation Judge appoints the Petition to be intimated on the Walls in common form and to be advertised once in each of the Edinburgh Gazette, Herald and Times newspapers; grants warrant for service of the Petition as craved, together with a copy of this interlocutor, upon the parties named and designed in the Schedule annexed to the Petition; allows them and all parties claiming an interest to lodge Answers thereto, if so advised, within 8 days after such intimation, advertisement and service.
Sgd. Q. A. Oliver DCS
For which intimation is hereby given.
Maclay Murray & Spens
Solicitors
3 Glenfinlas Street
Edinburgh
EH3 6AQ

No. 021406 of 1994
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
Re. SECOND CONSOLIDATED TRUST PLC
-and-
Re: THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE is hereby given that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 23 March 1994 confirming (a) the reduction of the capital of the above-named Company from £10,000,000 to £400,000 and (b) the cancellation of the Share Premium Account of the Company amounting to £44,711,000 and the Minute approved by the Court showing with respect to the capital as altered the several particulars required by the above-mentioned Act were registered by the Registrar of Companies on 25 March 1994.
Dated 25 March 1994
LINKLATERS & PAINES
Solicitors for the company

PENDLETON LIMITED
A Petition having being presented by the Receivers of Pendleton Limited to the Vacation Judge of the Court of Session, Edinburgh for the winding-up of Pendleton Limited and the appointment of Roger Arthur Powdrill and Ralph Stephen Preece as Joint Interim Liquidators, the following deliverance was made:-
Edinburgh 7th April 1994
The Vacation Judge appoints the Petition to be intimated on the Walls in common form and to be advertised once in each of the Edinburgh Gazette, Herald and Times newspapers; grants warrant for service of the Petition as craved, together with a copy of this interlocutor, upon the parties named and designed in the Schedule annexed to the Petition; allows them and all parties claiming an interest to lodge Answers thereto, if so advised, within 8 days after such intimation, advertisement and service.
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THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
RULE 4.106(1)
A.B.C. CLUBS LIMITED
In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation
Notice is hereby given that we, Bernard Brendan Cooney, Chartered Accountant, of Leach Bright & Partners, Barrait House, Chestnut Avenue, Guildford, Surrey, GU2 5HA, and David Llewelyn Morgan, of Touche Ross & Co., 63 High Street, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 1BD, were appointed Joint Liquidators of the above named company on 30 March 1994.
All creditors who have not already done so are invited to prove their debts in writing to me at the above address.
No further public notice or advertisement to prove debts will be given.
Date 6 April 1994
D B COAKLEY
Joint Liquidator

The Insolvency Act 1986
DATA NETWORK PUBLISHING LIMITED
(In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Maurice Raymond Torrington FIPA of Poppleton & Appleby, 4 Charterhouse Square, London EC1M 6EN was appointed Liquidator of the said Company by members and creditors on 29th March 1994.
Dated this 29th day of March 1994
M.R. TORRINGTON, Liquidator

The Insolvency Act 1986
COTTRELL McGUIRE PRINTING COMPANY LIMITED
(In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Maurice Raymond Torrington FIPA of Poppleton & Appleby, 4 Charterhouse Square, London EC1M 6EN was appointed Liquidator of the said Company by members and creditors on 23rd March 1994.
Dated this 23rd day of March 1994

Golf's cavalcade moves to Augusta

Crenshaw shows putting touch worthy of master

FROM JOHN HOPKINS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT, IN NEW ORLEANS

AS THE chartered plane sped north from here on Sunday evening, a number of golfers sat back contentedly and reflected on the week. Chief among these was Ben Crenshaw, the 42-year-old American, who had just won the Freeport McMoRan Classic, his eighteenth tournament title in the United States. Flying through the night to Augusta, he could justifiably feel he was in the best possible form for the first major championship of the season.

Ten years ago, after what seemed like a century of trying, Crenshaw won the Masters. His victory was one of those soppy, sentimental occasions when the normally stern faces in sport become moist-eyed. They did so because it was apt that Crenshaw, who speaks and writes so well about the game and its history, should win his first major at one of the most celebrated tournament venues. Crenshaw cried. Spectators cried. The right man had won in the right place.

The most telling stroke, the one that set Crenshaw on the path to victory that sunlit afternoon, came at the tenth hole. It was a putt, which is appropriate because if there is one thing that Crenshaw does better than almost any golfer who has ever lived, it is putt. He has a wonderfully smooth style in which his hands seem in perfect harmony with the blade of his putter.

Whereas some golfers grip their clubs as "tightly as a Scotsman holding on to a pound note" as someone — probably an Englishman — remarked, Bobby Jones, the founder of the Masters, said that a golfer's grip on the club "should be no firmer than it would be while shaking hands with a lady." Crenshaw grips his putter even more softly than this, as if he is cradling an injured bird.

This putt was at least 20 yards, from the front of the green to three-quarters of the way to the back. It was not straight. There is no such thing as a straight putt at Augusta. It had several breaks in it and it had to negotiate a slight step in the crusty green.

Crenshaw stroked the ball and straightened up to watch its progress. Cresting the step in the green, taking the breaks as he had planned it should, the ball rolled on and on and then fell in. It was not the longest putt ever holed at Augusta by any means. Nick Faldo has that honour, for he holed a 100-footer on the second green. But coming at the time it did, Crenshaw's was one of the most telling.

I know how long and difficult it was because the next morning I placed five balls down on the same spot on the green and tried it myself. The nearest I could get to the hole was 12 feet.

If a putt won the US Masters for Crenshaw, it was his putting that underpinned his three-stroke victory in New Orleans on Sunday as at English Turn Country Club, barely out of trumpet sound of Bourbon Street. Crenshaw turned back the twin challenge of Sam Torrance and José Maria Olazábal.

Olazábal's play was encouraging for one who, until recently, had not been played well for nearly two years. Surging past Torrance with birdies on the 17th and 18th holes, he finished second and is clearly in form.

It is just as clear that Nick Faldo is not. He may be on the cusp of it but his putting needs sharpening up and he wants to improve his driving, to feel able to play the draw from the tee that so many holes at Augusta require. On the way to the airport he sat quietly in his seat, noting down his figures on each hole and analysing what those figures told him about his game.

The sum of it was that Crenshaw simply putted them into oblivion, again and again holing from improbable distances. For Torrance, who shared the lead with Crenshaw after 54 and 64 holes and was striking the ball so well and so much better than Crenshaw, it must have heartbreaking.

Torrance, having flown in from Indonesia at the start of the week, was justifiably delighted with his ball-striking and the $81,600 (about £55,000) he received for finishing third. "I played well" Torrance said, a jaunty smile on his face as he sat in the back of the plane with some of his rowdy friends.

He cast his mind forward to Augusta. "What I remember most from the last time I was here was bogeying and double-bogeying the second hole in the first two rounds — and then eagling it in the third and fourth. That and my Dad saying he'd been there a week and he hadn't seen a weed."

SCORES

FINAL ROUND LEADERS (US unless stated): 273: B Crenshaw 69, 68, 68, 68. 276: J M Olazábal (Sp) 63, 74, 70, 69. 278: S Torrance (GB) 67, 71, 67, 73. 279: D Paulson 74, 62, 75, 68, M Springer 73, 69, 69, 68, K Perry 69, 72, 68, 70. 281: D Mast 71, 69, 74, 67, C DiMarco 76, 70, 66, 69, S Brodie 71, 67, 72, 71, B Clampett 70, 68, 72, 71. 282: J Furyk 70, 72, 66, 74. 283: J Flannery 73, 72, 69, 69, G Day 72, 68, 72, 71; J Morse 72, 71, 67, 73. 284: T Tryba 72, 70, 67, 75; E Dougherty 74, 70, 66, 74, D Waldorf 71, 72, 68, 73, B Burns 71, 72, 69, 72; M Bradley 72, 74, 69, 69, M Standley 68, 71, 77, 68, L Clements 73, 67, 73, 71. Other: 287: N Faldo (GB) 72, 71, 70, 74.



Crenshaw watches anxiously as his putt on the seventh green slips past the hole

PAUL SANCYA

Swansea profit with fortunes of Barbarians in decline

Swansea	41
Barbarians	31

BY DAVID HANDS
RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

THESE famous rugby union clubs began playing each other in 1901 but, after yesterday's display at a St Helen's blasted by unseasonal cold and attended by a crowd of little more than 2,000 (once upon a time they would have packed the ground for this Bank Holiday fixture), you wonder whether they will still be doing so when the new millennium arrives.

Victory for Swansea by four goals, two tries and a penalty goal to three goals and two tries may sound, on the face of it, attractive enough, but it was a game without shape or substance. Few members of the invitation side, at the end of a long club and representative season, looked interested and the Barbarian committee will have to look hard (as it does annually) at whether it should sustain the fixture.

It was disappointing to discover that Swansea, despite a rare weekend without a competitive match, fielded a XV including only three regular first-team players. This despite the declared intention of Mike Ruddock, Swansea's director of coaching, to produce a strong combination; obviously the vital Heineken League meeting with Pontypridd on Saturday, upon which Swansea's title hopes rest, took precedence.

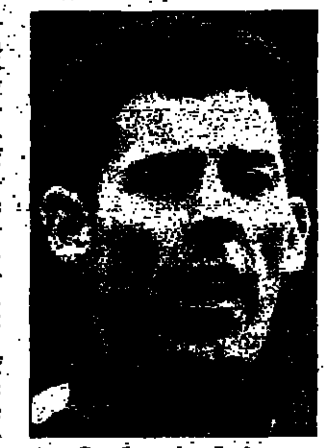
Swansea might argue that if a mixture of second-teamers and youth players could score six tries against a side including ten senior internationals, what might their first XV have done. Geoffrey Windsor-Lewis, the Barbarians' secretary, responds that if Swansea's best had taken the field his players would have raised their sights accordingly.

It is an unhappy situation, though at least youth rugby in Wales, thanks to Scottish Amicable's sponsorship of the Barbarians, benefited by £1,500. But the changing circumstances of the Barbarians' season are illustrated by their coming commitments: a three-match tour of Zimbabwe in May (once it was South Africa) and two matches in September, one at Bath followed by the other in Paris against the French Barbarians to commemorate the D-Day landings and the liberation of Paris.

The latter match, too, was designated for Twickenham until the Rugby Football Union — which will be in the throes of reconstructing the west stand — withdrew. Thus the Barbarians will take themselves to the Stade Charlety in Paris on September 6, which seems a long way from a hail-swept Mumbles Bay and a match with Swansea notable not only for the limited quality of the rugby but the comings and goings of no fewer than seven replacements.

With the gale at their backs Swansea ran up a half-time lead of 22-12, with Forster, their energetic flanker, leading the charge. Thomas, the youth stand-off half from Trebanos, who was making his debut, looked far too boyish for this level of rugby but he emerged from a crisis of indecision, and a bear-hug of a tackle from McIvor, to make a useful contribution — not least when his loop allowed Marshall to evade Hastings and present Booth with a try.

Hastings, the Baa Baas captain, had laid down a policy of no kicking, which was all very well in principle, but left his side making no use whatsoever of the wind in the second half. An almost complete absence of lineout ball left the Barbarians struggling desperately for possession and their backs, notably Field and



Stark: pair of tries

Evans, trying to create something out of very little.

Swansea, meanwhile, handled with verve and made sure of victory by scoring three tries into the wind. Their running game was more secure and they could well afford to usher in the Barbarians for two late tries, through Stark and Evans, before reflecting on a job well done.

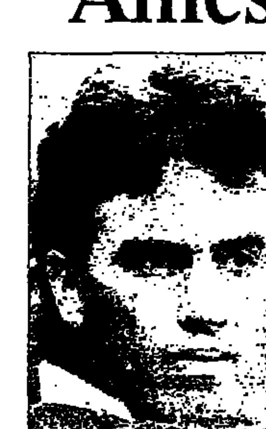
SCORERS: Swansea: Tries: Forster, Wintle, M Evans, Morgan, Booth, S Moore. Conversions: J Evans (2), Withers (2). Penalty goal: J Evans. Barbarians: Tries: Stark (2), Hastings, Townsend, Evans. Conversions: Hastings (3).

SWANSEA: J Evans; S Davies, P Wintle, R Morgan, S Marshall; A Thomas, A Booth; I Buckett, R McBryde, K Colclough, J Forster, M Evans, A Moore, I Jones, S Moore. L Davies replaced S Davies (40min); P Withers replaced J Evans (44).

BARBARIANS: G Hastings (Watsonians and Scotland); C Glasgow (Heriot's FP), R Hennessey (London Irish), M Field (Malone and Ireland), D Stark (Boroughmuir and Scotland); G Townsend (Gala and Scotland), A Nicol (Dundee HSFP and Scotland); M Linnett (Moseley and England), N Meek (Pontypridd and Wales), G de Vries (Amsterdam Athletic and Holland), D McIvor (Edinburgh Academicals and Scotland), H Dumitras (Pau and Romania), R West (Gloucester), P Crane (Newbridge), M Greenwood (Wasps). L Evans (Treorchy and Wales) replaced Glasgow (14min); M de Maid (Pontypool) replaced Nicol (35); B Robinson (Ballymena and Ireland) replaced Crane (51); S Munro (Glasgow HK and Scotland) replaced McIvor (55); Y Kummer (DIOK and Holland) replaced Stark (78).

Referee: D Bevan (Clydach).

Ames conquers conditions for first Tour triumph



Ames: ray of sunshine

FROM MEL WEBB
IN LYONS

FOR a golfer who grew up in a country where long, hot days and cloudless skies are a way of life, Stephen Ames coped remarkably well with the dubious delights of having rain trickling relentlessly down the back of his neck as he claimed a narrow victory in a rain-saturated Lyons Open yesterday.

Ames, the first player from Trinidad and Tobago to win a PGA European Tour card, had a closing 74 in appalling conditions here at Villette d'Anthon to win by two shots from Gabriel Hjertstedt, of Sweden, and Pedro Linhart, of Spain, with a total of 282, six under par. Wayne Riley, of Australia, was fourth on three under, with Gary Orr a stroke further behind.

Those five, plus Michel Besanceney and David Gilford, were the only players to beat par for 72 holes on the 7,289 yards of the Terrain des Sangliers course. Long before the end, the six man-made lakes dotted around the course had been supplemented by several hundred natural ones as fairways and greens were transformed into an everglade of casual water.

The die had been cast as early as the first day, when half of the field played in bitter cold and high winds and the other enjoyed flat calm and temperatures ten degrees warmer. On that day, only two players were under par in the morning, compared with 24 in the afternoon, and the scores in a classic game of two halves fluctuated wildly. On the second day, the conditions were diametrically opposite, and the men for whom it had been a very Good Friday got lucky again. Ames, 29, was one of them, and he capitalised on his good fortune to stay near the top of the leaderboard throughout the rest of the tournament.

For Riley, the overnight leader on ten under par, things started to go wrong at the 2nd, where he dropped a shot. He went steadily backwards from there; six more bogeys went on his card and he went away still dreaming vainly of a first European victory in ten years of trying.

Ames, though, was playing the most consistent golf of the final three-ball. He dropped only one shot to the turn, after plugging in a greenside bunker at the short 8th, and followed it with six more solid pars. He took the lead on the 12th, where Hjertstedt had a double-bogey six after driving into woods, and was never headed. He and his two rivals bogeyed the 16th and Hjertstedt's challenge ended when he let another shot slip away on the 17th.

When they reached the 18th green, Ames had two shots for the title and £37,500. Almost inevitably, he needed none of them as he rolled in his putt for a par five and his first European Tour win. All of a sudden, there in the damp and gloom, there was a small ray of Caribbean sunshine.

LEADING FINAL SCORES (GB and Ire unless stated): 282: S Ames (Trin) 70, 67, 71, 74. 284: G Hjertstedt (Swe) 68, 68, 71, 77, P Linhart (Sp) 72, 68, 72, 72. 285: W Riley (Aus) 69, 68, 69, 79. 286: G Orr 69, 66, 76, 75. 287: D Gilford 70, 73, 71, 73; M Besanceney (Fr) 69, 75, 68, 75. 288: M Tunnicliff 72, 68, 75, 73; P Walton 72, 71, 72, 73; G J Brand 70, 69, 73, 76. 289: L Westwood 73, 71, 72, 73; S Luna (Sp) 72, 71, 73, 73; T Gledeon (Ger) 71, 72, 70, 76. 290: K Waters 71, 72, 75, 72; A Cejka (Ger) 70, 77, 71, 72; J Payne 71, 69, 74, 76; R Rafferty 73, 70, 71, 76; H Thul (Ger) 72, 72, 69, 77. 291: R Claydon 74, 67, 76, 74, P Mitchell 73, 69, 73, 76. 292: A Hunter 70, 75, 75, 72; G Manson 73, 71, 77, 71; M Mouland 71, 73, 74, 74; A Sherborne 69, 72, 77, 74; J Robinson 72, 69, 74, 77; C Mason 75, 70, 70, 77.

FOR THE RECORD

AUSTRALIAN RULES

AUSTRALIAN LEAGUE (AFL): Melbourne 17 16 (118) bt Hawthorn 8 16 (64). Fitzroy 17 10 (112) bt Essendon 14 15 (99). North Melbourne 21 16 (142) bt St Kilda 10 13 (73). West Coast Eagles 14 13 (97) bt Adelaide 11 12 (78). Richmond 20 14 (134) bt Brisbane 11 6 (72). Collingwood 14 16 (100) bt Carlton 9 12 (66). Geelong 22 20 (152) bt Footscray 8 15 (64).

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: St Louis 5 Cincinnati 4

BASKETBALL

BUDWEISER LEAGUE: Doncaster 85 Birmingham 87. Manchester 88 Thames Valley 80

Final table

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Thames Valley	36	31	5	3356	2777	62
Worthing	36	30	6	3342	2931	60
Manchester	36	29	7	3516	2903	58
Guildford	36	24	12	3100	2845	48
London	36	21	15	3093	3124	42
Birmingham	36	21	15	3044	2913	42
Leicester	36	20	16	2974	2917	40
Derby	36	17	19	3139	3137	34
Doncaster	36	13	23	2916	3106	26
Sunderland	36	13	23	3190	3394	26
Chester	36	11	25	2927	3073	22
Hemel H	36	3	33	2998	3552	6
Oldham	36	1	35	2734	3558	2

PLAY-OFF SCHEDULE. Quarter-finals, first legs: Apr 7: London Towers v Guildford. Apr 8: Birmingham v Manchester. Apr 9: Derby v Thames Valley, Leicester v Worthing. Second legs: Apr 9: Guildford v London Towers. Apr 12: Manchester v Birmingham. Apr 13: Thames Valley v Derby. Apr 16: Worthing v Leicester. Third legs (if required): Apr 16: Manchester v Birmingham, Thames Valley v Derby, Guildford v London Towers. Apr 20: Worthing v Leicester.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NBA): Chicago 96 Detroit 93. Portland 109 New Jersey 105. Houston 106 Los Angeles Clippers 98. Boston 97 Philadelphia 86. Los Angeles Lakers 102 Atlanta 89. Phoenix 108 Denver 98.

BOWLS

DUNDEE: Masters tournament: Men: Final: J Henry (Ballymoney) 21 D Peacock (Midlothian) 16. Third place. G Robertson (East Lothian) 21 D Gourlay (Preshwick) 15. Fifth: K Hibloe (Prestwick) 21 A Wotherspoon (Inverclyde) 17. Seventh: W Galloway (Edinburgh) 21 A Milne (Aberdeen) 9. Women: Final: J Lindores (Tweedbank) 21 J Dawes (Cgwr) 14. Third: N Shaw (Teesside) 21 E Bell (Belfast) 4

BOXING

TOKYO: WBA junior bantamweight championship: Katsuya Onizuka (Japan, holder) bt Lee Seung-Koo (S Kor) pts.

CANOEING

DEVIZES-WESTMINSTER RACE: 1, M Phillips and R Lewis (RNKA/Bradford-on-Avon CC) 15hr 42min 03sec. 2, R Belcher and T Cornish (independent) 15.50:18. 3, B Greenham and G Wallis (Leighton Park CC, Reading) 16 31 06. Mixed: 1, D Selwood and S Greenaway (Richmond CC) 17 35 19. 2, T Phipps and P Toomey (Leighton Park/Longridge) 19 13 00

CYCLING

TIME-TRIALS: Winners: Crawley Wheelers (44 7m): S Giles (Leo RC) 1hr 51 56min. Wyre Forest CC (26m): I Treadwell (Beacon RCC) 1.11.16. Western TTA (25m): N Gardiner (Optimum Performance RT) 55 12. Mid-Devon CC (three-up, 25m): L Derham, R Forsdick and P Roes (Plymouth Corinthian CC) 1.01 52. Guernsey Velo Club (25m): M Harris (Caesarean CC) 1 05 17. Birkenhead North End CC (22m): W Young (VC Halton) 48 37. High Wycombe CC (10m): E Adkins (Leo RC) 22 05. Charlotteville CC (50m): N Gardiner (Optimum Performance RT) 1.53.25. Team: Farnham RC, 6.44 30. VC Cumbria (33m): M Taylor (Cleveleys RC), 1 13 59. Team: VC Cumbria 3 54 24. Mid-Shropshire Wheelers (50km): J Howard (Merseyside Wheelers) 1 15 36. Team: Mid-Shropshire Wheelers, 4 01 05. CC Breckland (two-up, 26m): G Taylor and A Stapleton (Leo RC), 1 01 06. South Eastern RC (two-up 26m): T Ellis and S Dennis (East Grinstead CC), 1 03 17. Kettering Amateur CC (three-up, 25m): Leo RC (E Adkins, J French and G Dighton), 51.21 (event record). Swan Velo (25m): C Pritchard (Olympia Sport), 53 42. Mirfield CC (25m): I Cammish (Velo Vento) 54 29. Cleveland Wheelers (three-up, 25m). Ferryhill Wheelers (A Cosgrove, J Caine and A Watson), 56 07. National Clarion (25m): P Hodgkinson (Crewe Clarion Wheelers), 56 19. Team: Crewe Clarion Wheelers, 2.56 03. Abergavenny RC (25m): A Rowley (GS Vlaessel), 56 54. Team: Cwmcarn Paragon 3 01 37. Cleveleys RC (25m): M Bowes (Cleveleys RC) 57 33. Team: Rapide, 2.58 18. Antelope RT (25m): G Longland (Antelope RT), 59 08. Team: GS Stella, 3 13 10. Ayr-Girvan (18m): S Armour (Loudoun RC), 51.24. Team: Ayr RCC, 2.51 32

EQUESTRIANISM

GOTHENBURG: World Cup dressage finals. Compulsory grand prix section: 1, Gaternedes (M Theodorescu, Ger) 1,684pts. 2, Grand Gilbert (N Uphoff-Becker, Ger) 1,645. 3, Edinburgh (K Kyrklund, Fin) 1,536. European League show jumping finals: Jump-off: 1, Libero (J Lansink, Holl) 38 51sec, 0 faults. 2, Grannusch (J Whitaker, GB) 39 05. 3, Poker (M Beerbaum, Ger) 40 40. 6, Rhapsody (G Billington, GB). Final placings: 1, Lansink, 127pts; 2, F Sloothaak (Ger) 93. 3, M Whitaker (GB) 92; 4, J Whitaker 69. 14, N Skelton (GB) 38.

GREAT MAPLESTEAD, Essex: Dynes Hall Horse Trials. Pedigree Chum Advanced 1. 1, Chaka (W Fox-Pitt) 51pts. 2, Delta (B Tott) 52; 3, Flying Tackle (B Powell) 56. Advanced 2: 1, Barenny (E Watson) 59. 2, Just Jeremy (L Murray) 59. 3, King Boris (M Thomson) 61. Advanced 3: 1, Song and Dance Man (K Gifford) 53. 2, Metronome (P Funnell) 53. 3, Pasadena II (W Mason) 57

FOOTBALL

SPANISH LEAGUE: Athletic Bilbao 7 Sporting Gijon 2; Logroñés 2 Real Sociedad 0; Rayo Vallecano 0 Albacete 0; Racing Santander 3 Osasuna 1; Atlético Madrid 2 Valladolid 0; Real Oviedo 2, Deportivo la Coruña 5; Celta 3 Real Madrid 2; Lleida 1 Barcelona 2; Valencia 1 Sevilla 1; Tenerife 5 Real Zaragoza 3. Leading positions (after 31 matches): 1, Deportivo 45pts. 2, Barcelona 43. 3, Real Madrid 40.

BORD GAIS LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Premier division: Group A: Shamrock 2 Cork 0. Group B: Cobh 1 Drogheda 2; Monaghan 2 Limerick 1.

AFRICAN NATIONS' CUP (in Tunisia): Quarter-finals: Zambia 1 Senegal 0; Ivory Coast 2 Ghana 1; Mali 1 Egypt 0; Nigeria 2 Zaire 0

WOMEN'S FA: Premier division: Knowsley 0 Arsenal 5; Leasowe 2 Millwall 3; Southampton 3 Wimbledon 4; Wembley 1 Doncaster 5. First division north: Bronte 2 Cowgate 0; Sheffield Wednesday 4 Kidderminster 0; Villa Aztecs 4 Nottingham Argyle 1. First division south: Hassocks 1 Brighton 1; Maidstone 1 Town and County 2.

FENCING

BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY: Birmingham International: Foil: Women: 1, L Strachan (Salle Paul) 2, L Harris (Salle Paul), equal 3, S Bratby (Salle Paul), S Mawby (Salle Paul). Men: 1, D McKenzie (Scotland); 2, M Bengry (Sussex House), equal 3, A Griffin (Boston), N Payne (Salle Paul).

GOLF

SOUTHERNDOWN: Duncan Putter tournament: Leading final scores: 226: G Wolstenholme (Bristol and Clifton) 73, 74, 74. 228: B Dredge (Bryn Meadows) 76, 77, 75, M Foster (Worksop) 75, 72, 81. D Park (Herefordshire) 72, 75, 75. 229: M Welch (Hill Valley) 80, 76, 73. 230: C Evans (West Monmouthshire) 77, 74, 79. C Edwards (Bath) 75, 78, 77

RANZAN, Japan: Women's tournament: Final scores (Japan unless stated): 221: Ko Woo-Soon (S Kor) 73, 74, 74. 222: Y Terasawa 76, 72, 74. 223: N Yoshikawa 73, 74, 76. 224: C Yamazaki 78, 73, 73; Y Ueno 73, 74, 77; S Nishida 71, 75, 72.

TOKYO: Men's tournament: Final scores (Japan unless stated): 280: B Watts (US) 67, 71, 69, 73. 283: H Kase 70, 70, 71, 72; F Minoza (Phil) 70, 70, 71, 72; H Inoue 71, 71, 68, 73; T Watanabe 70, 68, 72, 73

HOCKEY

FOLKESTONE FESTIVAL: Ladykillers 2 Royal Louvain 2; Wanderers (South Africa) 1 Italy 5; Ghosts 3 Hounslow 1; Italy 2 Ladykillers 1; Hounslow 11 Wanderers 2; Ghosts 1 Italy 4; Hounslow 4 Royal Louvain 1; Festival XI 5 Wanderers 1; Havant 0 CAP 5; Ghosts 3 Ladykillers 5

EDINBURGH: European youth tournament: Boys: Under-18: England 0 Spain 1; Germany 2 Holland 3; France 2 Scotland 1. Final positions: 1, Holland 9pts, 2, Germany 7, 3, Spain 7, 4, England 5, 5, France 2, 6, Scotland 0. Under-16: France 2 Spain 8; England 1 Germany 1; Holland 7 Scotland 0. Final positions: 1, Spain 9; 2, Holland 8; 3, England 6; 4, Germany 5; 5, France 2; 6, Scotland 0. Girls: Under-18: Germany 8 Spain 0; Holland 7 France 0; England 3 Scotland 0. Final positions: 1, Germany 10; 2, Holland 9; 3, England 6; 4, Spain 3; 5, Scotland 2; 6, France 1. Under-16: England 3 Germany 0; Spain 4 Scotland 0; France 0 Holland 4. Final positions: 1, Holland 10; 2, England 8; 3, Germany 6; 4, Spain 4; 5, France 1; 6, Scotland 1

ICE HOCKEY

BRITISH LEAGUE: Championship play-off: Group A: Durham 6 Nottingham 4; Whitley Bay 5 Cardiff 7. Group B: Fife 13 Humberside 5. Promotion/relegation play-off: Group A: Billingham 3 Milton Keynes 10; Blackburn 6 Telford 4. Group B: Romford 4 Slough 7; Medway 6 Peterborough 10

NATIONAL LEAGUE (NHL): St Louis 3 Detroit 3; Pittsburgh 6 Boston 2; Dallas 6 Washington 3; Los Angeles 6 Edmonton 1; Chicago 2 Calgary 1

MODERN PENTATHLON

MILTON KEYNES: World championships qualifying: Men: 1, G Brookhouse (GB) 5,302pts. 2, G White (GB) 5,296. 3, P Zimmermann (Switz) 5,190. 4, P Waffler (Switz) 5,152. 5, P Messenger (US) 5,118. 6, J Greenwell (GB) 5,100. Women: 1, C Delemer (Fr) 5,137. 2, E Gabella (It) 5,175. 3, E Kobo (Hun) 5,140. 4, J Allen (GB) 4,990. 5, R Wilmot (GB) 4,989. 6, C Minelli (It) 4,346

MOTOR RACING

THRUXTON: Auto Trader British touring car championship: First round: 1, G Tarquini (It) Alfa Romeo 155, 27min 19.12sec. 2, J Cleland (GB), Vauxhall Cavalier, 27 19 68. 3, G Simoni (It), Alfa Romeo 155, 27 31 93. 4, J Winkelhock (Ger) BMW 318, 27 34 38. 5, S Soper (GB), BMW 318i, 27 35 68. 6, W Hoy (GB), Toyota Carina, 27 37 03.

RUGBY UNION

Club matches

Abertillery	19	Newbridge	10
Glamorgan W	12	Bristol	28
Pontypool	27	Pontypool Utd	29
Rugby	5	Nuneaton	23
Stroud	8	Lydney	40
Swansea	41	Barbarians	31
Vale of Lune	8	Kendal	32
L Welsh	32	Newport	24

Cancelled: Broughton Park v Davenport; Crumlin v Cross Keys; Tylorstown v Treorchy.

PILKINGTON SHIELD: Semi-finals: Old Hamptonians 10, Kidderminster Carolians 6 (at Northampton); Malvern 8, Hucclecote Old Boys 6 (at Coventry)

SHOOTING

BISLEY: Easter rifle meeting: 15 shots at 300yds: 1, J Underwood (Surrey) 74 10. 2, B Harvey (London and Middlesex) 74 9. 3, P Medhurst (London and Middlesex) 73 12. 15 shots at 900 yards: 1, J Pugsley (London and Middlesex) 71 9. 2, K Genders (Jersey) 68 5. 3, I Mon (Old Greshamians) 67 6. Queen's I: 1, G Bayle (Lloyds Bank) 104 17. 2, A Ringer (Uppingham Veterans) 104 16. 3, R Baker (OCRA) 104 12. Queen's II: 1, A Barrow (Altcar) 147 15. 2, R Jon Kaczmarek (North London) 146 28; 3, C White (Nottingham) 146 19. Short-range aggregate: 1, J Davies (Wales) 322 42. 2, van Aspeweld 321 42. 3, Ringer 320 44

SKIING

FORT WILLIAM: Scottish championships: Giant slalom: Women: 1, S Robertson (Aberdeen) 1min 43 85sec. 2, M Adams (Stirling Univ) 1:44 52. 3, T Pirie (Aberdeen) 1 46 39

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: First division: Cradley Heath 52 Coventry 44; Eastbourne 53 Cradley Heath 25. Second division: Newcastle 46 Peterborough 50

CHAMPIONS CUP: Second leg: Bradford 53 Belle Vue 43 (Bradford win on agg 105-87)

SQUASH

LAMBS CLUB, London: Hi-Tec British open championships: Selected results (England unless stated): Men: Second qualifying round: C Leach bt R Godden 9-7, 10-8, 9-4; A Davies (Wales) bt M Puertas 3-5, 6-9, 9-4, 9-6; D Harris bt D Bradbury 9-4, 9-3, 9-1; A Gough bt R Graham 9-1, 5-0, ret. J Nicolle bt J Dawes 9-2, 9-4, 9-5; D Webb bt J Wellings 9-6, 9-7, 9-7; A Kirkland bt M Allen 9-4, 9-2, 9-2; J Bonetat (Fr) bt L Buit (Holl) 9-1, 9-3, 8-9, 9-7. Women: First qualifying round: A McArdle (Ire) bt C Levine (Isr) 9-5, 9-5, 6-9, 9-6; P Nicholl bt C Venter (SA) 9-7, 5-9, 9-1, 7-9, 9-7; S Langley bt M Houtsma (Holl) 9-5, 3-7, 9-5; E Pierce (US) bt T Malik (Wales) 1-9, 8-10, 9-7, 9-6, 10-8

TABLE TENNIS

BIRMINGHAM: European championships: Men's singles: Quarter-finals: J-O Waldner (Swe) bt J Rosskopf (Ger) 21-11, 22-20, 21-17; Z Primorac (Cro) bt D Cioca (Gr) 15-21, 21-18, 23-21, 21-23, 21-13; J-M Saive (Bel) bt Chen Xinhua (Eng) 21-11, 21-12, 15-21, 21-13; P Chila (Fr) bt P Saive (Bel) 19-21, 20-22, 21-19, 21-6, 21-19. Semi-finals: J-M Saive (Bel) bt P Chila (Fr) 21-12, 21-15, 21-8; J-O Waldner (Swe) bt Z Primorac (Cro) 21-18, 26-28, 17-21, 21-19, 21-16. Final: Saive bt Waldner 23-25, 21-10, 21-17, 21-16. Men's doubles: Semi-finals: J-M Saive (Bel) and Z Primorac (Cro) bt J Rosskopf and S Fetzner (Ger) 9-21, 21-17, 21-13; C Creanga (Gr) and Z Kalinic (Independent Federation Players) bt V Samsonov (Belo) and C Dreher (Ger) 21-16, 21-13

Women's singles: Quarter-finals: N Struse (Ger) bt Wang-Drochou Xiaoming (Fr) 21-18, 21-14, 21-8; J Schopp (Ger) bt O Badescu (Rom) 21-12, 21-14, 21-18; M Svensson (Swe) bt K Toth (Hun) 21-12, 21-16, 21-15; G Keen (Holl) bt C Batorfi (Hun) 21-16, 11-21, 21-17, 21-14. Semi-finals: Keen bt Struse 22-20, 21-16, 19-21, 16-21, 22-20; Svensson bt Schopp 16-21, 21-18, 21-14, 21-17. Final: M Svensson (Swe) bt G Keen (Neth) 21-12, 21-14, 21-18. Women's doubles: Semi-finals: C Batorfi and K Toth (Hun) bt S Plasant and A Boileau (Fr) 21-17, 21-17; E Timina and I Palina (Russ) bt R Gargauskaite and J Prusiene (Lith) 24-22, 21-14. Final: C Batorfi and K Toth (Hun) bt E Timina and I Palina (Russ) 21-14, 21-9

Mixed doubles: Semi-finals: C Creanga (Gr) and O Badescu (Rom) bt J Truska and V Popova (Slovakia) 21-17, 21-16; Z Primorac (Cro) and C Batorfi (Hun) bt L Blaszczyk (Pol) and E Bellen (Bel) 21-14, 14-21, 21-13. Final: Primorac and Batorfi bt Creanga and Badescu 21-16, 21-13

TENNIS

HILTON HEAD, South Carolina: Women's tournament: Final: C Martinez (Sp) bt N Zvereva (Belo) 6-4, 6-0.

TOKYO: Japan Open championships: Men's singles: First round: H Holm (Swe) bt R Tsujino (Japan) 4-6, 6-1, 6-2; J Bjorkman (Swe) bt T Mon (Japan) 6-1, 6-3; G Rusedski (Can) bt N Borwick (Aus) 7-5, 6-1; C Adams (US) bt C Caratti (It) 4-6, 6-3, 6-4; D Vacek (Cz) bt J Renzenbrink (Ger) 6-4, 6-4; R Weiss (US) bt M Ruah (Ven) 6-4, 6-1; J Tarango (US) bt J Bates (GB) 6-1, 5-7, 6-3; M Tebbutt (Aus) bt J Siemerink (Holl) 6-4, 6-4; K Carlsen (Den) bt K Bong-soo (S Kor) 6-1, 5-7, 6-1; P McEnroe (US) bt O Camporese (It) 7-6, 6-2; L Gloria (US) bt J Morgan (Aus) 3-6, 7-6, 6-4; G Raoux (Fr) bt K Masuda (Japan) 6-4, 6-2; T Henman (GB) bt K Jones (US) 6-2, 6-3; D Cahill (Aus) bt J Frana (Arg) 6-2, 6-0; T Hogstedt (Swe) bt A Jarryd (Swe) 4-6, 6-4, 6-4. Women's singles: First round: F Labat (Arg) bt M Miyauchi (Japan) 2-6, 6-1, 6-4; W Shi-Ting (Taiwan) bt B Paulus (Austria) 7-6, 7-5; L Niemantsverdriet (Holl) bt Y Basuki (Indo) 7-6, 6-3; N Miyagi (Japan) bt L Fang (China) 7-5, 4-6, 6-3; S Appelmans (Bel) bt N Baudone (It) 6-2, 6-4; L Harvey-Wild (US) bt M Endo (Japan) 6-4, 3-6, 6-0; M Werdel (US) bt M Jaggard-Lai (Aus) 4-6, 6-1, 6-2; T Whittinger-Jones (US) bt Y Kamio (Japan) 6-4, 6-0; A Frazier (US) bt E Swigierova (Cz) 6-4, 3-6, 7-5.

BARCELONA: Spanish Open tournament: First round: M Filippini (Uru) bt E Sánchez (Sp) 6-4, 6-4; R Agenor (Haiti) bt R Fromberg (Aus) 6-3, 7-5; J-P Fleurian (Fr) bt O Delaitre (Fr) 4-6, 6-4, 6-1; F Davin (Arg) bt L Jonsson (Swe) 6-4, 6-4.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Stones Bitter Championship

First division

Bradford 30 Hull 32

Bradford: Tries: Cordle 4, Hall 2, Clark. Goal: Fox. Hull: Tries: Gay 2, Grant, G Nolan, Sterling, Wilson. Goals: Eastwood 4. Att: 4,641.

Featherstone 42 Wakefield 22

Featherstone: Tries: Daunt 2, Gibson, Pearson, Gary H Price, Roebuck, Ropati. Goals: Pearson 7. Wakefield: Tries: Flynn, Mason, Mosely, Wilson. Goals: Paul 3. Att: 3,784.

Hull KR 23 Sheffield 30

Hull KR: Tries: Chamberlain, Hutchinson, Parker. Goals: M Fletcher 5. Dropped goal: Charles. Sheffield: Tries: David Plange 2, Stott 2, Aston, Garrison. Goals: Aston 3. Att: 1,848.

Leeds 26 Halifax 16

Leeds: Tries: Iro 2, Cook, Fallon. Goals: Holroyd 5. Halifax: Tries: Bentley 2, Schuster. Goals: Schuster 2. Att: 11,650.

Leigh 18 Salford 19

Leigh: Tries: Baldwin, Daniel, Sarsfield. Goals: Baldwin 3. Salford: Tries: Blakeley, Brown, Williams. Goals: Blakeley 3. Dropped goal: Lee. Att: 2,833.

Oldham 10 Castleford 26

Oldham: Tries: Abram. Goals: Kerry 2; Abram. Castleford: Tries: Ellis, Ford, Ketteridge, Morrison, Russell. Goals: Crooks 3, Ketteridge. Att: 4,139.

Widnes 20 St Helens 17

Widnes: Tries: Goulding, Hadley, Ireland, D Smith. Goals: Goulding 2. St Helens: Tries: Martyn 2, Sullivan. Goals: Martyn 2. Dropped goal: Martyn. Att: 5,870.

Wigan 21 Warrington 14

Wigan: Tries: Cassidy, Edwards, Panapa. Goals: Botica 4. Dropped goals: Botica. Warrington: Tries: Forster 2, Bennett. Goals: Harris. Att: 19,225

Second division

Barrow	14	Workington	26
Batley	50	Bramley	0
Doncaster	19	Huddersfield	7
Keighley	18	Ryedale York	16
London Crus	28	Rochdale	10
Swinton	26	Highfield	10
Whitehaven	46	Carlisle	4

WINFIELD CUP: Canterbury-Bankstown 17 Canberra 12.

YACHTING

ROYAL PLYMOUTH CORINTHIAN YC: 420 open national championships: First race: 1, J Merricks and I Lovering; 2, J Lea and B Slate; 3, R Lovering and I Warren; 4, R Wilson and S Irish. Second race: 1, J Merricks and I Lovering; 2, R Lovering and I Warren; 3, R Wilson and S Irish; 4, D Edwards and O Nuttall. Youth championships (under-19): First race: 1, R Greenhalgh and P Greenhalgh; 2, J Gorrod and T Harrop; 3, C Draper and R Percy; 4, N Rogers and S Hughes. Second race: 1, J McEwen and G Nurton; 2, N Rogers and S Hughes; 3, C Draper and R Percy; 4, I Jameson and J Burns.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.45 kick-off unless stated
* all-ticket match

FOOTBALL

Endsleigh Insurance League

First division

* Leicester v Derby
Peterborough v Watford

Second division

Bournemouth v Rotherham

Third division

Torquay v Bury (7.30)
Walsall v Wigan

GM Vauxhall Conference

Kidderminster v Bromsgrove

Scottish League

Premier division

Dundee Utd v Rangers (7.30)
Partick v Aberdeen (3.0)

DIADORA LEAGUE (7.30): Premier division: Sutton United v Hendon, Wokingham v Marlow. First division: Windsor and Eton v Maidenhead United

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE (7.0): First division: Bolton v Sunderland; Coventry v Newcastle; Everton v Wolverhampton; Leeds v Aston Villa; Sheffield United v Notts County. Second division: Bradford v West Bromwich Albion; Mansfield v Stoke; Oldham v Grimsby.

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Bristol City v Millwall (7.30); Crystal Palace v Luton (2.0); Portsmouth v Wimbledon (7.30); Tottenham v West Ham (2.0).

KONICA LEAGUE OF WALES: Inter Cardiff v Maesteg Park (7.30)

SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Glenavon v Crusaders (7.30); Glentoran v Carrick; Larne v Omagh Town (7.30); Linfield v Distillery; Newry v Ards; Portadown v Ballyclare.

RUGBY UNION

Swalec Cup

Quarter-final

Cardiff v South Wales Police (7.15)

Heineken Welsh League

First division

Aberavon v Llanelli (7.0)

OTHER SPORT

GOLF: Seniors tour qualifying school (Collingtree Park).
SNOOKER: British Open (Plymouth).
SKIING: Scottish championships (Nevis Range, Fort William).
SQUASH: British open qualifying (Lambs Club, London)

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The free-trade bandwagon is finally Morocco-bound

Colin Narbrough examines some of the little local difficulties that have been put aside in order to allow the new Gatt treaty to be signed



India seeks to defend the use of child labour in its carpet industry

The demise last week of Cocom, the shadowy Cold War organisation intended to prevent the communist bloc from obtaining the West's advanced technology, was the latest acknowledgment of the global shift towards a more open world trading system to be fêted this week by more than 120 countries in the Moroccan city of Marrakech.

The discreet termination of Cocom at talks in a castle near the Dutch capital contrasts with the high-profile ministerial jamboree of the signatory nations behind the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) in a fundamental way. In future, the Western economies behind Cocom will give national governments the ultimate freedom to decide what may be exported.

The Final Act of the seven-year Uruguay Round of the Gatt is, in depth and breadth, an unprecedented commitment to a more liberal, non-discriminatory trading order and to a World Trade Organisation (WTO), armed with the necessary teeth, to ensure that the multilateral rules are obeyed.

Peter Sutherland, the outspoken Gatt director-general, has fought hard since the agreement to the Final Act in December to focus attention on the profound changes taking place in the international economic landscape. And like Arthur Dunkel, his predecessor who retired last year, he has underlined the crucial role of the developing world in bringing about a successful conclusion to the Gatt round.

Little more than a decade ago, the cosy, largely homogenous group of economies of Western Europe and North America were able to provide living standards for around a billion people that were far higher than anywhere else. But the political and economic revolution witnessed over the past decade has made that world order look distinctly passé. The exclusive club of North Americans and Western Europeans has been widened with the development of the global marketplace. Asia, Latin America and Eastern Europe are increasingly winning membership. Some are in a position to become club stewards.

As Gatt reported last week, growth in world trade slowed to 2.5 per cent in volume terms last year, after notching up 4.5 per cent in 1992. But it highlighted that Asia and Latin America were among the fastest growing regions in trade and output. With the extension of Gatt liberalisation to trade in services in the agreement about to be signed, it is important to note that, while world merchandise trade dropped 2 per cent in value terms to $3,600 billion last year (in part reflecting the dollar's appreciation against European currencies), the trade in services, in excess of $1,000 billion, maintained positive growth.

Forecasts of an annual $200-300 billion boost to world trade from implementation of the Uruguay Round treaty have yet to be proven, but few doubt that the benefit to the world economy will be huge, albeit with plenty of local pain. With many countries freeing up trade ahead of the negotiated timetable, Gatt expects world trade growth to pick up to 5 per cent this year, given a mild recovery in Western Europe and Japan.

Marrakech, with its four-hour signing ceremony on Friday, is primarily intended to celebrate the outward harmony achieved by Gatt members. Yet speeches to the conference are certain to reveal the weeping sores of bilateral and regional disputes bandaged over to ensure overall accord.

John Major, looking to developments in the economy, British and global, to restore his political fortunes, has stressed the importance the Government has attached to the Gatt round. But, apart from Sir James Goldsmith, the financier, one of the few vocal British critics of the Uruguay Round, Mr Major has faced little domestic protest about the trade agreement. In continental Europe, most prominently in France, the heavily subsidised farming community has engaged in mass protests. America's farm and industry lobbies continue to agitate, while India has seen bloody riots over Gatt.

Even before the Gatt negotiators crowned their years of effort with agreement, Washington had started to press its demands for the Uruguay Round to ensure workers' rights and environmental standards in the far more liberalised world trading environment it foresaw. Having dropped its objections in December to the establishment of the WTO, America's tone has become shriller in recent weeks over commitment at Marrakech on labour and green conditions, similar to those it tagged on to the North American Free Trade Agreement (Nafta) last year.

After the fierce battle last year between America and France over trade in agricultural goods and audio-visual products, there is no little irony in the sudden alliance between Paris and Washington on the issue of workers' rights. That the Clinton and Balladur governments have ended up as bedfellows is not really strange, given their policies to lift employment.

The developing countries have received vigorous support from Mr Sutherland in their resistance to the demands that Marrakech formally commits the WTO to measures against what is often termed social and environmental "dumping". Freeing up the world economy has to be counterbalanced by respect for minimum standards, according to those countries seeking the commitments. The International Labour Organisation has also given its cautious support to a "social clause" in the Gatt treaty. Partial conclusions of a special report state that in a more global economy "there is a need for some enhanced mechanism to monitor and regulate social protection so as to ensure that globalisation effectively leads to greater social progress and social justice worldwide".

The developing world, most vocally represented by India, has flatly rejected any move to establish a social dimension to the Uruguay Round, arguing that the poorer nations need to see the real benefits of the concessions they have made to open up their markets before they can move on to social and enviromental harmonisation. India, like many developing countries, employs millions of children in industry, particularly in export sectors such as carpets and textiles. Agriculture, too, employs millions of children, many under conditions regarded in the industrialised world as close to slavery. On environmental issues, the developing world is also resisting any attempt by rich countries to impose standards poor economies cannot yet afford.

Perhaps out of sheer expedience, Mr Sutherland has been a powerful advocate for keeping the Marrakech conference focused on the implementation of the Uruguay Round accord. But his conviction to free trade has prompted him to field strong arguments against those governments wishing to add new conditions that could lead to greater protectionism. He argues that the industrialised countries, with their high unemployment, cannot resist the adjustment to free trade with discredited theories of the threat of "pauper labour" impoverishing our societies. Steady, non-inflationary growth, he says, is what is needed to generate high standards of living, which will come from improving productivity and open competition in the global market place.

In a forceful exposition of his views recently, Mr Sutherland said: "There may well be good reasons for pursuing in specific cases the harmonisation of standards internationally, in which case the need for a co-operative, multilateral approach is obvious, but there is no general case to be made that heterogenity is in and of itself a bad thing." He issued a warning against the dangers of "protectionist capture" inherent in the proposition that free trade will lead to competitive deregulation and standards falling to the lowest common denominator worldwide, requiring trade sanctions to force harmonisation of standards upwards to the rich country norms. Mr Sutherland has been openly critical too of the US decision to revive its "Super-301" trade weapon to try to persuade Japan to take more American goods and services. The pursuit of bilateral deals and managed trade was "misguided and dangerous", Mr Sutherland said.

But America remains the world's largest trading nation, and, as the only real superpower, wants to pursue a multitrack trade policy, US style. Its social and environmental demands will have to be considered formally at some stage, if not at Marrakech. Washington has been widely criticised for signing up to Nafta and agreeing to the Uruguay Round treaty, only to follow up with a unilateral assault on Japan to reduce its $60 billion trade surplus with America. President Clinton's hands-on approach to the heavily subsidised $6 billion deal to supply Saudi Arabia with American civil aircraft also suggests that the WTO might not be allowed to dictate terms to Washington, even though that is the basic idea behind the trade body.

Yet, American interests could be well served if it took a long view of world trade as ministers sign the treaty that will guide world trade into the 21st century.

A strong WTO will probably be essential as soon as the world economic map changes. Twisting Japan's arm is no longer as easy as it was. And China, with the potential to be the world's biggest economy, is bent on rejoining the multilateral trading club soon, after a 43-year absence. As Peking has pointed out, the WTO, without China, will be "incomplete and universality will be weakened".

TEMPUS

Burmah's greased margins

BURMAH Castrol's board must look wistfully at the performance of its Indian business on the Bombay Stock Exchange, which apparently values Castrol India on multiples of almost 100 times earnings. At the very least, such a rating would make a scrip dividend an even more attractive proposition to the company. Back in the City, Burmah faces a rather more cynical marketplace and one that would appreciate more information on costs. Fundamentally, Burmah is a marketing company that happens to be in the oil business. In that respect it sits uncomfortably in the integrated oil sector and draws comparison with the likes of Shell and BP as well as overseas oil leaders such as Exxon. The comparison has some value in that Burmah competes head-on with the majors in the lubricants market and last year demonstrated its strength in growing its share of the all-important US market. But profits growth in 1993 was substantially driven by exchange rate gains and the benefit of lower cost feedstocks from cheaper crude oil. Such a world may be with us for 1994 but longer term Burmah needs to prove it can still sell more cans of motor oil and maintain its margins as competition increases.

Burmah's success in carving out its niche in the high margin world of lubricants has not gone unnoticed. With profits from oil exploration and refining under pressure, the majors are seeking a bigger share of lubricants. Burmah will have to raise its high investment in promoting the Castrol brand. Investors may question whether a niche business like Burmah has the strength to warrant a rating as high as the industry leaders.

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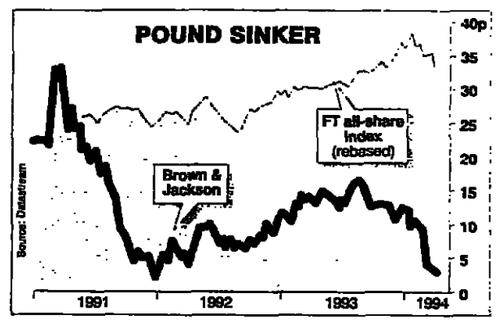
LIKE two knights in shining armour, Vera and Gerald Weisfeld have appeared on Brown & Jackson's horizon offering the battle-weary management the best bit of financial news it has heard in a long campaign.

With B&J's bankers reluctant to advance money so sorely needed to keep the 230-outlet Poundstretcher chain ticking over, B&J management has been in a bind. The Weisfelds popped up yesterday with the prospect of a £6 million cash injection and, equally important, their retailing expertise.

Although the prospect of financial survival is within B&J's grasp — the group was nursing losses of £12 million for the 12 months ended in December, and recently gave a warning that it might have to close down because of the financial haemorrhage. That only served to compound creditors' jitters.

The Takeover Panel must nod through the Weisfelds' intention to buy 41.5 per cent of B&J without making a general offer to all shareholders. Bankers must extend to B&J the working capital it needs. And shareholders must approve the Weisfelds appointments as non-executives, and their consultancy package.

Those hurdles cleared, B&J — which since 1992 has raised £39 million in two rights issues — has to trust that trading conditions improve and that the Weisfeld magic works. Until that is evident, the shares, even at 5½p, remain a gamble.



Development

The latest rumour in West End wine bars is that property developers are returning to London. Overdevelopment in the late 1980s banished this breed to retirement in the South of France or to outlandish ventures in Eastern Europe.

But low interest rates and a steady decline in surplus office space is encouraging developers to dust off their calculators while leading quoted companies, such as Hammerson, are acquiring sites with potential for office redevelopment.

Yields of 7 per cent or less on office properties make development a more attractive prospect than in recent years. With long gilts yielding a good percentage point more than property, some would argue that the sector has reverted to historic norms. Rising rents, it is said, will boost capital values, taking over the job that falling interest rates did last year.

Any developers or bankers who find that scenario compelling should examine employment trends before they invest in building offices. Employment fell in the final quarter of last year, continuing a declining trend of levels of full-time employment in the UK.

Increases are to be found in part-time employment, but part-timers are employed mainly in hotels, catering, retailing and distribution, not industries requiring acres of offices. Employment of clerical staff is falling, a trend for which any banker will be able to supply evidence, and new technology is making vast City banking halls redundant.

Surplus office space in London has fallen sharply and vacancy rates in the West End are near 10 per cent, with only a third of that thought to be new modern office space. But the decline in the vacancy rate is directly related to a fall in the amount of office space under construction.

Developments planned today will take at least three years to be built, leaving the likelihood of shortages in the interim period. But if past experience is any guide, the property world is already planning an office glut for the end of the century.

London and Manchester

London and Manchester may be an insurance company, but its fortunes are closely tied to the property market. A 33 per cent rise in the number of houses sold in 1993 to 6,900 helped the group's 85-strong estate agency chain reduce losses from £3.4 million to £1.2 million.

And while the losses still look painful, L&M reap rewards in other quarters. Estate agency generated £1 million of new annual premium sales, a 17 per cent rise over 1992.

In spite of higher provisions against bad debts, its mortgage business had an operating profit of £846,000 (£3.7 million loss). The slight upturn in house-selling activity helped L&M sell some of its repossessed houses which, with lower interest rates and an easing of unemployment fears, helped the number of mortgage arrears to fall. But until transaction volume returns to the property market, L&M is unlikely to see strong profits growth from its mortgage business.

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Unlikely alliance set to storm Broadway

PETER Holmes à Court, son of the late, great Robert, is set to take Broadway by storm, I hear — and he has forged an unlikely alliance to help him win his place in the lights. Peter, 25, whose mother, Janet, controls almost a third of theatre seats in the West End of London through her company, Stoll Moss, has been spending his time in Greenwich Village, New York, where he is producing the $600,000 rock 'n' roll play *Fallen Angel*, due to open at the Circle in the Square Downtown on April 14. The play — appropriately, some might think — is the brainchild of one Billy Boesky, son of Ivan, who was the undisputed king of Wall Street's arbitrageurs before abruptly crashing to earth in 1986. "I'm creating theatre and producing it," says Peter, who adds that his family has no intention of selling Stoll Moss, while amused that people seem to want to offer large sums of money for it. Boesky senior, who coined the "greed is good" line — immortalized by Michael Douglas in *Wall Street* — was fined $100 million and banned from the securities industry for life after admitting insider dealing.

Stout work in Vietnam

BRITISH accountants and solicitors sniffing for business in Vietnam will no longer feel quite so isolated — they can now buy locally brewed Guinness stout. The group has signed a brewing and distribution agreement with BCI Tien Giang, a joint venture between BCI, a French company, and Tien Giang province, guaranteeing ample supplies of Guinness Foreign Extra Stout for thirsty locals. More than £27 million has been invested in the My Tho brewery, 50 miles south of Ho Chi Minh City, ending the need to import Guinness from Malaysia. Just over half a pint of Guinness stout sells for about 70 US cents (48p) in Vietnam — cheap by UK standards, but dear in a country where a US dollar can buy a square meal.

Romantic interlude

HOW romantic. Meredith Taylor, the Tullet & Tokyo oil derivatives broker and daughter of Gordon Taylor, a former senior partner of Sheppard Robson, the north London architect, is to marry Ronel Lehmann, young turk of the London PR world. And it took all of Lehmann's persuasive powers to win her hand. He flew her to Paris, positioned her in front of the Eiffel Tower, popped the question, and received the reply: "How on earth did they get planning permission?" "I was observing the architecture," says Taylor. "I didn't say 'yes' until we went to Florence." Lehmann, who represented Oliver Letwin, the NM Rothschild merchant banker, in the tussle with Glenda Jackson for the Hampstead and Highgate constituency, admits: "I'm in love."

Champagne days

"THE City is a jungle: a raw, hungry hothouse heated by the octane of money and sex, and none is more adept at prowling its byways than the headhunter." Come again? Such, at any rate, is how Juliette Mead, a former broker with Merrill Lynch and Enskilda Securities, appears to view her old hunting ground. Mead, 33, forsook the dealing room for a career with Philippa Rose and Partners, a London-based headhunting firm, and has pulled her experiences together in a novel, *The Headhunter*, to be published by Simon & Schuster later this month. Four pages into my review copy, I was shocked to discover a reference to the City Diary, in which the heroine Candida Redmayne ("icily elegant, a clever, hungry, manipulative man-eater") uses an item on a City defection to further her aims. She then promptly arranges for a bottle of champagne to be sent round to the diarist with a note. Krug will do nicely, thank you.



Mead: taking a novel look at the City

Being a real brick

SIR Lawrie Barratt, founder of Barratt Developments, the housebuilder, knows his way around a City boardroom, but remains a brickie at heart, it seems. In Yorkshire at the weekend to visit his 5,000-acre Farndale estate — bought for £1.5 million in 1981 — he turned up at the local church, St Mary's, for the annual daffodil service, held in homage to the thousands of daffodils that bloom in the area. I gather that the church has a problem with rising damp, and Sir Lawrie has chipped in £1,200 towards fixing it up.

EVER wondered why unit trust managers sometimes call their products "funds" rather than "trusts"? Acronyms may have something to do with it, judging by M&G's launch of the Sterling High Interest Fund (SHIF).

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Imry back in the black after £24m loss

BY PATRICIA TEHAN, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

IMRY, the property development company owned by Barclays Bank, has returned to profit, achieving a pre-tax figure of £8 million last year, compared with a £24 million loss in 1992.

Barclays has not consolidated the figures because it does not see itself as a long-term owner of Imry. Barclays holds all the ordinary equity and all the £100 million preference shares via its subsidiary, Imry Jersey. Its shareholding was valued at £56 million last year, unchanged from 1992.

According to Barclays' annual report, Imry's capital and reserves rose from £71 million to £79 million last year. Despite the return to profit, analysts say Barclays is unlikely to sell Imry or float it on the stock market within the next two years.

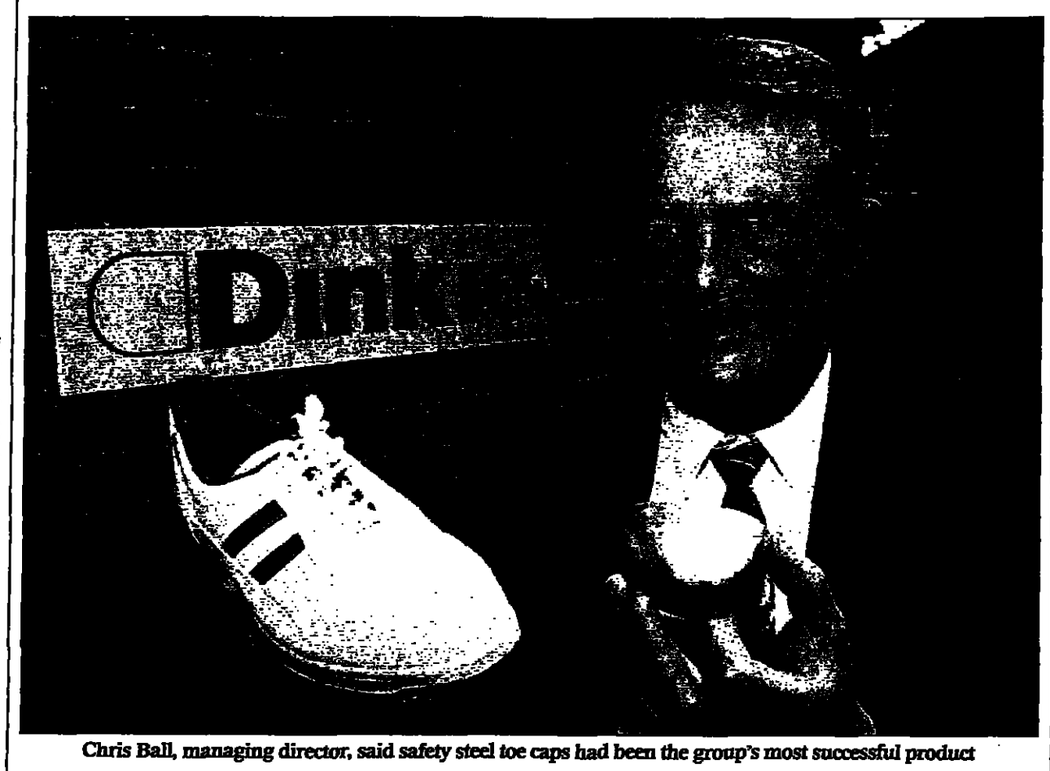
The bank took control of Imry in December 1992 amid the property market collapse. It had financed the highly leveraged £314 million acquisition of the company by Marketchief, later renamed Chester. Later, Barclays' exposure was increased to £440 million. The bank made a £240 million provision against its exposure — including a £196 million write-off — and converted £100 million of debt into redeemable preference shares.

Barclays, under the chairmanship of Sir John Quinton, ladled funds into the property sector at the height of the late-1980s boom. Much of 1988's £920 million rights issue was channeled into property and construction loans. Come the property crash, Barclays emerged as a principal banker to a host of over-geared enterprises such as Rosehaugh, Mountleigh, Speyhawk, Heron and Olympia & York.

Loans to property and construction companies accounted for 40 per cent of the bank's £1.96 billion UK provisions in 1992. The annual report shows a reduction in the bank's UK property loan book from £5.4 billion in 1991 to £4.3 billion last year. Lending to construction companies has fallen from £3.1 billion to £2.1 billion during the same period.

Provisions against potential UK property bad debts fell to £168 million (£568 million) last year, while construction provisions fell to £104 million (£171 million). Specific provisions fell to £192 million (£267 million) in property and to £70 million (£79 million) in construction.

Exports surge helps Dinkie Heel to get into stride



Chris Ball, managing director, said safety steel toe caps had been the group's most successful product

A 38 per cent surge in exports helped to treble pre-tax profits at Dinkie Heel, the shoe components group famous for supplying steel toe caps for Dr Marten boots (Martin Flanagan writes).

It prompted a 15 per cent jump in the share price yesterday from 40p to 46p. Exports now account for a little under a third of total sales, said the group, which in 1993 made profits of £649,000, compared with £201,000 in the previous year.

Dinkie, whose managing director is Chris Ball, said safety steel toe caps had been the group's most successful product.

The company has bought the freehold of its premises in Manchester for £122,000 — saving £35,000 a year in rent. First-quarter trading in 1994 had been encouraging, said directors.

In 1993, earnings per share lifted to 3.84p compared with 1.31p last time, and the total dividend is 1.4p, against 0.95p, via a 0.9p final.

GWR offer for radio stations

GWR Group, the fast-growing independent radio operator, launched a £3.5 million recommended offer for Mid Anglia Radio, which operates stations in Cambridgeshire and Norfolk (Philip Pangalos writes).

Based in Bristol, GWR operates various radio stations in the South and, since a takeover of four stations in January, in a large part of the Midlands. GWR also has a 17 per cent stake in Classic FM.

The agreed takeover offer is worth 466p a share, with a full cash alternative of 450p for each Mid Anglia share. GWR has already received acceptances for its offer from holders of 50.46 per cent of Mid Anglia's shares. GWR said the acquisition represents "an excellent opportunity."

Lloyd's may transfer £400m to Newco

BY SARAH BAGNALL, INSURANCE CORRESPONDENT

LLOYD'S of London is considering using the £400 million it set aside for its failed settlement offer to bolster the reserves of a new reinsurance company created to take over names' "old-year" liabilities.

The loss-making insurance market is in the process of setting up Newco, a reinsurance company into which names can transfer their liabilities for insurance policies written in 1985 and prior years.

Names will have to pay to transfer their debts to Newco, but the amount will vary according to the scale of funds that various syndicates are already holding to meet such debts. Some syndicates are well reserved, minimising the cost to names, while other syndicates are inadequately reserved, so that names will have to pay more to offload their debts.

Lloyd's failure in February to prevent 17,000 loss-making names from embarking on legal actions, by way of offering a £900 million settlement package, leaves Lloyd's with a £400 million central fund contribution that could serve to help to underpin Newco.

Peter Middleton, Lloyd's chief executive, said: "We will have to decide whether to use our limited central funds to attempt to produce a settlement or for Newco.

"Even if there is some movement on settlement, we may decide that Newco is more deserving."

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Bundaberg makes final sugar takeover offer

TATE & Lyle's Australian subsidiary, Bundaberg Sugar, has again increased its takeover bid for South Johnstone Mill. Bundaberg's latest offer is worth A$14 (£6.70) each for the shares in the north Queensland sugar miller, up from its second offer of A$12.25 and its initial bid of A$9.40 in October. The company said the new offer was final and urged South Johnstone shareholders to vote to terminate a ceiling on individual shareholdings at a meeting on April 15. The offer cannot proceed unless the ceiling of 3.2 per cent of the 3.9 million shares on issue is voted out.

Bundaberg made no mention of the linked takeover offer for Tully Sugar, another unlisted public company mainly owned by local canegrowers in the same area of Queensland. The boards of both companies have urged shareholders to reject the offers.

Wakebourne plans cut

WAKEBOURNE, the computer-support company that emerged from the troubled Maddox Group last year, is proposing a capital reduction to eliminate the deficit on reserves and a share consolidation. The proposals will be put to shareholders on May 10. Losses in 1993 were £18.6 million before tax (£453,000 profit), due largely to the write-off of the company's investment in Lantek Electronics, a subsidiary. Losses per share were 3.6p, against earnings of 0.1p. There was no dividend. The shares fell 1p to 2¾p.

Hays to buy Rockall

HAYS, the business services group, has conditionally agreed to acquire Rockall Scotia Resources for £20 million. Rockall is a records storage and data management company mainly servicing the oil exploration sector with clients that include Shell, BP, Conoco, and Esso. In 1993, the company had a turnover of £15.4 million and pre-tax profits of £2.1 million. It has six storage centres in Britain, wholly owned subsidiaries in America and Norway, a part-owned subsidiary in The Netherlands and a joint venture in Germany.

Greenacre advances

GREENACRE Group, the nursing homes operator, reported a 25 per cent advance in full-year profits. Organic growth, improved margins and 168 more beds in operation at the 12 homes helped pre-tax profits climb to £1.7 million in the year to January 31, from £1.36 million. Turnover, boosted by acquisition, grew 54 per cent to £7.44 million. The final dividend is raised 20 per cent to 0.18p (0.15p), giving an improved total of 0.33p (0.28p) for the year. The USM-quoted shares were unchanged at 14p.

Boom year for Rathbone

RATHBONE Brothers, the quoted private banking and asset management group, announced profits up 29 per cent in 1993, as it also disclosed it now manages £1 billion on a discretionary basis for 6,000 private clients. Oliver Stanley, chairman, said banking, trustee and financial advisory services contributed valuably to the business. In 1993, group pre-tax profits rose 29 per cent to £5.25 million (£4.1 million), with earnings per share of 18.5p (16.07p). A final dividend of 5.5p gives a total of 7.5p against 6p in 1992.

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The Board would particularly like to test the premise that age is a more significant determinant of need on the basis of 1:2:4 for the 65-74, 75-84 and 85+ age groups, in allocating resources and purchasing services.

This is important research which is intended to inform the Board's purchasing strategy for the purchase of community based services for elderly people over the next five years.

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Derek Harris examines the latest franchising trend and looks at one of the biggest players

Taking a bite at the fast food business

McDONALD'S, the fast food chain, is using franchising for growth in Britain. Already 87 of its 520 restaurants are operated by franchisees, but this year 45 outlets will be franchised, half as many again as last year.

By the end of the decade, McDonald's is looking to increase franchised outlets to at least 40 per cent of the total chain, and possibly as much as half. It will bring Britain more in line with McDonald's world philosophy because it is the biggest franchisor of all, with 80



per cent of its restaurants around the globe already in the hands of franchisees.

A McDonald's can cost anything between £150,000 and £500,000 depending on the size and location of outlet. Essentially, McDonald's invests in the building shell and the land, while the franchisee pays for all internal equipment and stock.

A budget route is to take a three-year lease at the end of which a franchisee should have made sufficient profit to buy out his or her share of the enterprise. It still means finding initially about £50,000, covering the necessary £10,000 deposit and then meeting an average £40,000 of living and associated expenses during six months of full time-time training. There is also an 18-month part-time option for training.

Recently, McDonald's has been targeting key A roads for new sites and has also been eyeing, for expansion, Scotland, Wales and the south coast resorts.

Mr Clutch steps up a gear for sales drive into Europe

JOE Yussuf has nearly 50 franchised outlets in Britain offering a clutch replacement service and while he gears up the rate of domestic openings he is experimentally about to dip a toe into continental waters.

He is an example of a marked trend among the British owners of franchise formats. Now 54 per cent of British franchisors anticipate operating units in mainland Europe by 1998, according to the latest annual survey by the British Franchise Association. Already 22 per cent have made forays into Europe, from Prontaprint in high street printing to PVC Vendo in the vehicle cleaning field. Other examples of British penetration of the Continent by franchisors include retailers such as Burtons, Mothercare and Tie Rack as well as Body Shop, and Sketchley, the cleaner.

Mr Yussuf, chairman of the Mr Clutch chain, has been eyeing especially Belgium and Germany. He is now contemplating a pilot scheme in Belgium because it is an especially compact market. He said: "Right now I am building up reserves — you need to have money to gamble. By 1995 we should have the right structure and so the pilot scheme should start in 1994-95."

It is all part of an expansion plan that could lead to a stock market flotation. He said: "A float in three years might be realistic, but it all depends on economic factors."

The Mr Clutch chain was established 16 years ago when London-based Mr Yussuf was 24 years old. He had already been involved with vehicles, doing car body repairs. He chose speedy clutch replacement as he thought it demanded more skill than other specialised fast-fitting outlets such as those dealing with exhausts and brakes, which were then finding their feet.

He claims to fit a typical car clutch in 45 minutes, which could take up to two hours in a conventional garage, and at about half the total price.

There was another business element to contain costs that he built in: a factory was established in Kent to rebuild clutches to original equipment standards and also produce replacement brake materials. It accounts for 5 per cent of the clutch replacement market.

Recently, a gearbox reconditioning factory at Croydon was added, as the scope of the Mr Clutch operation was expanded.

Mr Yussuf said: "We shall be adding 17 franchises this year and probably another 30 next year. Saturation in the UK is probably about 300." This gives point to the projected move into mainland Europe.

The franchisor and manufacturing operations yielded £750,000 in pre-tax profits last year and this could rise to £2 million in less than four years, he believes. For the benefit to franchisees he points to Hugh Jones, a former RAF pilot, who invested £40,000 in two Mr Clutch centres in Birmingham and after three years sold them for more than £200,000. Now he has another outlet in north London.

The three-day National Franchise Exhibition opens on Friday at London's Olympia



Joe Yussuf, chairman, aims to follow an accelerating trend

Statutory right to interest 'could harm small firms'

By Rodney Hobson

TWO more organisations have told the Department of Trade and Industry that a statutory right to interest for late payment could harm rather than help small businesses.

The submissions, which contrast with the view of the Institute of Directors, were sent before the Government's consultation period on the issue closed.

The Chartered Association of Certified Accountants (ACCA) and the Association of British Factors & Discounters (ABFD) both say that statutory interest would legitimise the practice of late payment so that unscrupulous businesses might choose to pay interest to suppliers rather than borrow at higher rates from other sources.

The Confederation of British Industry is also against legislation for a statutory right to interest on overdue debts. The CBI has suggested other action, including Business Link advice centres offering no-charge credit management health checks and a commercial debt ombudsman.

ACCA said: "We seriously question whether the interest element would, for the most part, constitute such a material amount as to motivate companies to go to the trouble and expense of retrieving it via the courts."

The ABFD said that customers might require suppliers to lengthen the contractual payment term.

Ben Allen, ABFD chairman, said: "The evidence from countries in the European Union that have a statutory right to interest demonstrates the ineffectiveness of the measure. British companies record shorter payment times than many of their competitors in Europe.

"We believe that improving legal procedures for the recovery of debt would be the most effective step that the Government could now take to tackle the late payment problem and would help to redress the present imbalance which we believe exists in favour of debtors."

He said that small businesses would be far more likely than large ones to waive their rights to interest for fear of losing contracts.

The cost of administering a system of charging for late payment might be more than the value of interest claimed, the ABFD said. Since many businesses delay payment to their own suppliers until they are paid by their customers, the effect would be neutral.

If a statutory right to interest were introduced, the rate should be penal, as the present rate of 8 per cent awarded in court judgments "merely offers a cheap form of credit". The ABFD suggests 8 per cent above base rate.

The ABFD marginally favours the introduction of a British Standard on payments. This, it believes, would "encourage a change of culture away from the acceptability of paying late because everyone else does". However, it accepts that the cost of a standard might not be justified.

ACCA feels that a British Standard could not be enforced. It suggests instead that the value-added tax system could be used to control the problem. Late payers should be forced to wait for, or be unable to recover, VAT that they have paid.

BRIEFINGS

British Venture Capital Association members invested £69 million in 236 start-ups and other early stage businesses last year, which was nearly a fifth of financings made in the UK, according to the BVCA's annual report on investment activity out today. Consumer-related businesses attracted nearly a third of the investment. Scotland accounts for 10 per cent of investment (8 per cent the year before) while northern England also achieved a bigger share.

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CANADA LIFE UNIT TST MGRS LTD High St, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 5BA 0707 651 122				
Can Gen Dist	185.50	196.70	+1.00	1.84
-do- Income Dist	110.50	117.10	+0.60	4.56
Gilt & Fxd Int	41.36	43.84	+0.06	6.20
CAPEL-CURE MYERS UT MGMT LTD 35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF 061 236 5685 Enq: 061 236 5685 Dlg: 061 236 5362				
American & Gen	146.40	155.80†	-0.10	...
European Inc	81.40	86.34	+1.37	0.34
Smaller Cos (4-1)	82.33	87.59†	+0.02	1.36
Growth	428.00	457.80†	+1.40	2.11
Income & Growth	409.50	435.70	+0.33	3.72
Japan & Gen	79.05	84.05†	+1.32	...
Master Portfolio	£106.1	£110.3†	+61.00	1.29
Special Sits	98.60	104.90	+0.30	2.10
High Yield	£13.38	£13.80	+9.00	4.11
CAPITAL HOUSE UNIT TST MGRS Capital House, Festival Square, Edinburgh 031 228 4477 Dealing: 0800 833 561				
American Gwth Tst	36.42	38.95	-0.32	0.22
Cash Income	50.75	50.75	+0.02	4.90
European Gwth	40.87	43.56	+0.67	0.35
Income & Gwth Inc	27.80	29.79†	+0.20	4.15
Intnl Gwth	31.77	33.97	+0.21	0.54
Japan Gwth	29.71	31.77	+0.45	...
Managed Tst Inc	49.20	52.61	+0.34	1.52
Oriental Opps Inc	144.90	154.90	+2.70	...
Property Shares	44.05	47.11	+0.27	0.58
Smaller Cos	31.70	33.90	+0.10	1.56
UK Growth Tst	25.86	27.66	+0.13	2.17
Royal Scottish Assurance				
Cap Hse Global Inc	72.50	77.53	+0.64	1.66
Cap Hse UK Inc	66.51	71.13	+0.43	2.40
Exempt	23.59	24.26	...	...
Formerly Brown Shipley				
European Inc	26.79	28.60	+0.42	0.37
European Acc	27.74	29.66	+0.43	0.37
Financial	149.60	160.00†	+0.80	1.75
Foundation	91.45	97.80†	+0.39	2.25
German	51.86	55.46	+0.34	...
High Income	76.17	81.46†	+0.27	5.43
Income	133.80	143.10†	+0.50	3.76
Intl Growth	38.96	41.66	+0.26	...
Mngd Ptfolio Inc	105.30	112.60	+0.60	1.64
Mngd Ptfolio Acc	201.30	215.20	+1.20	1.64
Monthly Income	84.97	90.87†	+0.40	3.80
North American	103.50	110.60	-0.80	...
Orient	150.20	160.60	+2.10	...
CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD 3 Copthall Avenue, London EC2R 7BH 071 606 0708				
Cazenove Portfolio	81.81	87.38	+0.54	2.23
American Portfolio	88.97	94.85	-0.08	1.03
European Portfolio	97.52	104.02†	+1.24	0.95
Japanese Portfolio	74.66	79.40	+0.72	...
Pacific Portfolio	141.64	152.31	+1.91	0.77
UK Inc & Growth	73.28	78.53†	+0.29	3.73
Utility & Bond	54.31	55.00	+0.20	6.44
CENTURY UNIT TRUSTS LTD 5 Old Bailey, London EC4M 7BA 071 332 5000				
UK General Tst	63.99	68.07	+0.42	2.94
CHARTERED ASSET MGMT LTD 151 Farringdon Rd, London EC1R 3AD 071 837 7667				
Intl Growth	139.27	150.52	...	...
UK Growth	...	...	...	...
UK Income	112.61	121.80	...	3.85
CITY FINANCIAL UT MGRS LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966				
Beckman Intl	83.29	88.03	...	1.89
Beck Bio-Tech	35.45	37.71	...	...
Acorn Ethical Tst	160.37	168.81	...	1.25
City Fin Assets	72.89	76.73†	+1.46	1.64
City Fin America	81.06	85.33	...	...
City Fin Intl	76.14	80.15	...	0.49
City Fin Japan	181.58	191.14	...	...
Friars Hse Cap	276.07	292.14	+3.16	3.28
Friars Hse Inc	202.74	215.66	-3.41	4.87
Buckley Wrld Grth	134.04	142.60†	...	0.08
Fairmnt Cap Gth	142.47	149.97	...	...
-do- Inc & Gth	115.84	121.94	...	1.62
Fairmount Intl	158.34	166.67	...	...
City Fin Ptflo Inc	58.07	61.78	...	2.69
CITY OF LONDON UNIT TST MGRS LTD 10 Eastcheap, London EC3M 1AJ 0392 412 144				
Emerging Markets	54.60	57.94	...	...
CLERICAL MEDICAL UT MGRS LTD Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH 0800 373 393				
American Gwth	58.52	62.59	-0.67	...
Atlas Mngd Gwth	37.87	40.87	+0.40	0.17
Dragon Growth	69.33	74.15	+0.66	0.61
Equity High Inc	82.21	87.46†	+0.22	3.67
European Gwth	51.09	54.35	+0.70	0.69
Evergreen	30.88	33.03	+0.04	...
General Equity	83.74	89.85	+0.60	2.29
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	25.27	26.56†	+0.06	7.80
Japan Growth	55.11	59.46	+0.78	...
Pedigree Gwth	50.61	53.84	+0.20	2.21
Fed Sm Cos Inc	32.94	35.04	+0.07	0.65
Retirement Inc	25.75	27.69	+0.03	5.35
Special Sits	38.68	41.37	+0.28	1.60
UK & Overseas	48.70	51.81	+0.52	1.06
COLONIAL MUTUAL UT MGRS LTD Chatham Maritime, Kent ME4 4YY 0634 898 080				
Capital	64.76	69.26	+0.53	2.34
Income	59.77	63.93	+0.30	3.86
COMMERCIAL UNION FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INTERNATIONAL LTD Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park, Croydon CR0 2AQ 081 686 9818				
PRESTIGE PORTFOLIO (PPT FUNDS)				
Income Funds				
Equity Inc	161.46	171.77†	-0.38	5.15
Fixed & Convertible	42.25	44.95†	-0.01	5.68
Monthly Inc Plus	51.11	54.37†	-0.04	8.24
Preference Share	48.78	51.89†	-0.02	7.12
Balanced Funds				
High Yield	132.28	140.72†	+0.75	6.77
Managed Fund	68.55	72.93†	+0.57	2.76
UK Growth Funds				
Smaller Cos	42.36	45.06†	-1.47	1.88
UK & General	77.39	82.33†	-0.02	2.63
UK Growth	135.62	144.28†	+0.90	1.62
International Growth Funds				
Europe Growth	199.06	211.77†	+3.55	...
Far Eastern Grth	135.75	144.41†	+2.24	0.29
Global Bond	83.35	88.61†	+0.14	5.98
Japan Growth	133.10	141.60†	+0.51	...
North Amer Grth	158.63	168.75†	-1.27	...
Oriental Growth	77.43	82.37†	+1.34	...
Worldwide Growth	66.61	70.86†	+0.33	0.24
OTHER CU TRUSTS (NON PPT FUNDS)				
Deposit Fund	91.53	91.53†	+0.03	4.41
Homemaker Fund	76.25	81.12	+0.40	1.86
Quilter Fund	132.22	140.66	+0.76	2.43
CONFEDERATION FUNDS MGMT LTD Lytton Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 2NN 0438 744 840				
Growth Inc	58.10	61.80	+0.28	2.70
High Income	33.52	35.65†	+0.12	4.40
Japan	38.54	40.99	+0.58	...
Smaller Cos Inc	32.24	34.29	+0.04	2.20
Smaller Cos	33.54	35.68	+0.04	2.20
North American	32.44	34.51	-0.20	0.40
European	38.33	40.77	+0.52	0.50
CONSISTENT UNIT TST MGMT CO LTD 1 White Hart Yd, London Bridge SE1 1NX 071 407 5966				
Consistent UT	31.35	33.69	...	3.21
COOKE (HENRY) INV FUNDS LTD 1 King St, Manchester M60 3AH 0800 526 358				
Growth	145.40	154.70	+0.50	1.78
Income	74.21	78.95	+0.62	4.33
European	62.68	66.69	+0.99	0.60
Recovery	139.60	148.60†	+0.60	1.34
CO-OP PENSION FDS UT MGRS LTD 78-80 Cornhill, London EC3V 3NJ 071 283 9494				
Equity Dist	798.60	812.20	..	3.91
CREDIT SUISSE INV FDS (UK) LTD 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex 0277 690 370				
Fellowship Tst	71.16	75.71	+0.15	1.35
Income	238.40	253.70	+1.30	4.43
Smaller Cos	150.90	160.50	+0.70	1.27
Inv Portfolio	77.32	82.26	+0.406	1.45
High Income Port	67.25	71.55	+0.19	4.79
DIMENSIONAL TST MGMT LTD 155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3XS 071 410 0777				
Euro Small Cos	£15.66	£16.01	...	...
Japan Small Cos	£13.66	£13.92	...	...
UK Small Cos	£18.80	£18.80	...	...
US Small Cos	£16.51	£16.97	...	...
DISCRETIONARY UNIT FUND MGRS 66 Wilson Street, London EC2A 2BL 071 377 8819				
Disc Inc	192.10	202.20	...	2.72
DUNEDIN UNIT TST MGRS LTD 25 Ravelston Terrace, Edinburgh 031 315 2500				
European Gwth	275.30	291.10	+5.50	1.03
New Asia	213.70	230.60	+3.10	...
Japan Growth	136.40	145.20	+2.10	...
Jap Smllr Co	569.90	605.70†	+8.51	...
Nth Amer	249.10	264.40	-1.20	0.92
Smllrd Asia Pac Mi	120.00	127.30	+1.60	..
UK Inc & Grth	216.20	230.60†	+1.50	3.09
EAGLE STAR UNIT MGRS LTD Bath Road, Cheltenham GL53 7LQ 0242 577 555				
UK Balanced Inc	138.70	148.60	+0.30	1.80
UK High Inc Inc	155.70	166.60	-0.40	4.62
UK Pref & F I Inc	59.65	63.23	-0.20	4.96
Envrnmntl Opps	82.70	87.98†	+0.17	1.40
EDINBURGH UNIT TST MGRS LTD 97 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh 0345 090 520				
American	122.00	129.60	-0.60	0.15
Convertibles	23.34	24.80†	+0.04	6.65
Equity Income	131.10	139.30†	+1.40	3.59
Euro Fund	46.56	49.23	+0.69	0.81
Financial	48.53	51.58	-0.21	1.95
Growth & Inc	231.90	246.40	+2.00	3.04
High Dist	160.80	170.90	+1.60	4.39
International	385.80	409.90	-2.30	0.25
Intl Cap Inc	95.93	102.40†	+0.90	2.54
Latin American	44.82	47.62	-0.10	0.26
Pacific	82.73	87.90	+1.69	...
Preference Share	24.13	25.64†	+0.09	6.05
Tokyo	244.40	259.40	+0.90	...
UK Smaller Cos	236.00	250.80	+0.40	0.94
ELCON LTD Central Ct, Knoll Rise, Orpington BR6 0JA 0689 79538				
Elcon Trust	213.60	228.10	...	...
ENDURANCE FUND MGMT LTD 41 Harrington Gardens, London SW7 4JU 071 373 7261				
Endurance Fd	204.40	217.40	...	0.26
EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD Walton St, Aylesbury, Bucks HP21 7QN 0296 431 480				
European	80.65	84.89	...	1.66
Far Eastern	309.54	325.83	..	1.41
High Income	134.59	141.67	...	4.39
Intl Growth	120.25	126.58†	...	1.19
North American	117.18	123.35	...	0.99
Pelican	115.15	121.21†	...	2.82
Smaller Cos	75.53	79.50	...	2.00
Special Sits	91.50	96.32	...	2.49
TSt of Inv Tsts	188.01	197.90	..	1.69
EVERMORE FUND MGMT LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966				
Smaller Cos Inc	216.08	225.08†	-0.24	1.10
Smaller Cos Acc	375.00	390.62†	-0.41	1.10
Recovery	57.11	59.49	+0.09	1.92
EXETER FUND MANAGERS LTD 23 Cathedral Yard, Exeter EX1 1HB 0392 412 144				
Balanced	109.79	116.75	-0.27	4.92
Capital Growth	80.18	85.96†	+0.40	...
Fd of Inv Tsts	45.14	48.15	+0.12	0.23
High Income	47.39	50.83†	+0.19	8.72
Warrant	60.35	65.60†	+0.28	...
Zero Preference	36.36	38.58	-0.03	...
FAMILY INVESTMENT MGMT LTD 16 West Street, Brighton BN1 2RE 0273 328 707				
Family Asset Tst	75.60	80.42†	+0.130	2.42
Family Income Tst	49.30	52.44†	+0.100	6.06
Family Trust	89.21	94.90†	...	0.84
United Charities	255.00	271.30	...	2.95
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVS LTD 130 Tonbridge Rd, Tonbridge TN11 9DZ Callfree: Private Clients 0800 414 161 Broker Dealings 0800 414 181				
Cash Fund				
Cash Fund	100.00	100.00	...	4.20
Stabiliser Growth Range				
Controlled Risk UK	24.23	25.62	-0.04	3.15
-do- Europe	24.33	25.63	+0.19	4.68
-do- America	23.26	24.51	-0.03	0.25
-do- Acc Japan	27.41	29.24	+0.24	0.42
Bond Funds				
Gilt & Fxd Inc	29.02	29.42†	-0.06	7.48
Intl Bond	30.32	31.61	+0.01	4.83
Income Funds				
High Income	27.39	28.82†	+0.02	4.99
Income Plus	120.10	127.70†	+0.50	3.83
Amer Eq Inc	47.69	50.61	-0.44	1.35
European Income	45.47	48.35	+0.38	1.89
Far East Inc	65.13	69.70	+0.08	2.09
Global Convertible	24.19	25.81†	+0.06	2.91
Equity Funds				
ASEAN	56.82	60.61	+0.71	...
American	240.30	255.00	-2.30	...
Amer Spec Sits	110.50	117.50	-0.80	...
Japan Smaller Cos	46.94	50.07	+0.89	...
European	170.80	181.70	+2.10	...
European Opps	63.13	67.13†	+0.70	...
UK Growth	88.19	93.77	-0.15	...
Growth & Inc	152.10	161.80	+0.80	2.34
Intl PEP	35.99	38.22	+0.21	...
Japan Spec Sits	103.40	110.40	+2.00	...
Japan	217.00	231.60	+4.00	...
Managed Intl	277.00	295.90†	+1.70	...
Moneybuilder	53.63	57.03	+0.37	...
Recovery	46.72	49.68†	+0.26	...
South E Asia	151.20	161.30	+2.80	...
Special Sits	527.40	560.80	-2.10	...
Specialist Funds				
UK Index	107.80	113.50	+0.70	2.87
UK Reverse Index	77.17	81.35	-0.51	4.27
Europe Index	108.50	114.30	+1.40	4.44
-do- Reverse Index	64.78	68.23	-0.59	8.14
America Index	98.12	103.40	-0.80	0.54
-do- Reverse Index	98.10	103.20	-0.30	0.62
Japan Index	139.40	146.80	+0.40	0.55
-do- Reverse Index	95.14	100.30	+3.17	1.16
Cash Accum Units	104.96	104.96	+0.03	4.20
FLEMING PRIVATE FUND MGMT LTD 20 Finsbury St, Lond EC2Y 9AQ 071 814 2700				
Balanced	139.70	143.10†	...	1.60
Inc Ptflo	89.61	91.31†	+0.40	3.62
Cap Ptflo	145.90	148.60	+0.70	0.63
General Opps	128.20	130.20	...	3.32
Growth Inc	31.01	31.63	+0.17	1.19
Private Portfolio	406.50	414.90†	...	1.47
FOREIGN & COLONIAL UNIT MGT Admin, PO Box 2001, Brentwood, Essex CM13 1XR Enq: 071 454 1434 Dlg: 0277 261 010				
Hypo Foreign & Colonial				
European	116.00	122.80	+1.60	0.32
Far Eastern	183.30	196.70	+2.70	...
High Income	22.30	23.75†	+0.09	10.53
Oseas Income	99.32	106.20	-0.70	2.66
UK Growth	113.90	121.80	+0.60	0.90
UK Income	109.60	117.40	+0.70	4.51
US Smaller Cos	294.70	315.20	-1.20	...
FOSTER & BRAITHWAITE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London SE1 1NX 071 407 5966				
High Inc Eqty	49.26	52.40	+0.25	3.93
-do- Inv Tst Inc	76.77	81.67†	+0.13	4.35
Intl Growth	71.95	76.54	...	1.18
Investment Trust	90.86	96.66†	-0.11	0.14
UK Smaller Cos	84.87	90.07	+0.34	1.22
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MGMT LTD 155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3FT 071 374 4100				
American Growth	54.75	58.56†	-0.60	...
(Accum Units)	54.75	58.56†	-0.60	...
Amer Smllr Cos	494.60	528.90	-3.00	...
(Accum Units)	505.30	540.30	-3.00	...
Capital Tst	321.50	344.70†	+0.20	1.39
(Accum Units)	458.50	487.70†	+0.40	1.39
Contl Smllr Cos	62.44	67.06	-0.52	0.12
(Accum Units)	65.27	70.10	+0.54	0.12
Convertible	136.20	144.80	+0.20	4.74
(Accum Units)	263.70	280.50	+0.30	4.74
Emerging Markets	78.82	84.20	+0.17	...
(Accum Units)	78.88	84.27	+0.17	...
European	119.90	127.40	+1.50	0.01
(Accum Units)	125.00	132.90	+1.60	0.01
Extra Income	333.00	354.20	+0.80	3.43
(Accum Units)	482.70	513.40	+1.10	3.43
Financial	122.30	131.40	+0.30	0.47
(Accum Units)	128.00	137.50	+0.30	0.47
Gilt Trust	61.96	65.95†	+0.12	6.07
(Accum Units)	86.94	89.65†	+0.17	6.07
Health Fund Inc	134.70	143.90	-0.60	...
(Accum Units)	134.70	143.90	-0.60	...
Income & Growth	197.80	210.40	+0.90	3.40
(Accum Units)	286.50	304.70	+1.20	3.40
Intl Growth	379.00	407.10	+0.40	...
(Accum Units)	420.90	452.10	+0.50	...
Japan & Gen	204.80	219.50	+1.60	...
(Accum Units)	206.60	221.70	+1.60	...
Managed Port Inc	106.50	112.10†	+0.20	0.52
(Accum Units)	112.80	118.70†	+0.20	0.52
Monthly Income	167.90	178.50	+0.20	3.57
Quarterly Income	54.94	58.44	+0.10	4.46
(Accum Units)	56.66	60.27	+0.10	4.46
Recovery	362.10	387.20	+0.90	0.08
(Accum Units)	425.90	455.40	+1.00	0.08
UK Growth	53.05	56.64	+0.26	2.43
(Accum Units)	53.05	56.64	+0.26	2.43
FRIENDS PROVIDENT UNIT TRUSTS Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts Dealing: 0722 411 411 Admin: 0722 411 622				
FP Equity Dist	381.57	405.93	+1.75	2.55
-do- Accum	787.14	837.38	+3.59	2.55
FP Euro Gth Dist	134.81	143.41	+1.22	0.33
-do- Accum	140.01	148.95	+1.28	0.33
FP Fixed Int Dist	133.86	141.59†	-0.45	6.22
-do- Accum	234.68	248.23†	-0.79	6.22
FP Intl Gth Dist	92.92	98.91	+0.44	0.35
-do- Accum	97.77	104.01	+0.46	0.35
FP Nth Amer Dist	187.19	198.29	-1.26	0.58
-do- Accum	204.53	216.66	-1.38	0.58
FP Pac Basin Dist	321.45	341.97	+3.32	0.04
-do- Accum	327.59	348.50	+3.38	0.04
Stewardship Dist	341.02	362.79	+0.50	1.82
-do- Accum	409.32	435.45	+0.60	1.82
Stwrdshp Inc Dist	73.96	78.68	-0.01	3.21
-do- Accum	93.19	99.14	-0.01	3.21
N Am Stshp Dist	102.43	108.97	-0.31	0.47
-do- Accum	108.45	115.37	-0.31	0.47
GA UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD PO Box 237, York YO1 1LA 0345 581 106/7				
GANDA	235.40	248.90	+0.60	1.97
Cash	49.57	50.31	+0.01	4.34
Growth Portfolio	81.00	85.86	+0.14	0.35
Income Portfolio	68.43	72.37	+0.25	3.44
GT UNIT MANAGERS LTD Alban Gate, 14th Floor, 125 London Wall, London EC2Y 5AS 071 710 4567 Dealing: 071 626 9431				
Amer Spec Sits	166.90	178.50†	-0.60	...
European	547.60	585.70†	+9.70	1.23
Far East & Gen	275.10	294.30	+3.70	...
Germany	127.80	136.00	+1.20	...
Income Inc	152.60	163.30†	-0.30	4.32
International	350.20	374.60†	+3.30	...
Intl Income	83.69	88.91	+0.34	3.97
Japan & General	446.20	475.20†	+5.40	...
Korean Securities	69.28	74.10	+2.64	0.18
Smllr Cos Div Inc	52.12	55.75	-0.04	4.03
UK Capital (Inc)	183.90	196.70	-0.10	1.78
UK Spec Sits	92.70	99.15	-0.09	0.34
US & General	134.50	143.30	-0.60	...
Wwide Spec Sits	164.30	175.80	+2.60	0.09
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS Gartmore House, 16-18 Monument St, London EC3R 8AJ 071 782 2000 Dlgs only 0277 264 421 Investor Services Freephone 0800 289 336				
UK Growth Funds				
British Growth	50.78	54.29	+0.42	1.88
Cash Trust	132.74	132.74†	+0.03	4.14
Practical Inv Inc	114.84	122.82†	+0.16	3.58
UK Index	145.43	147.88†	-0.89	2.93
UK Smaller Cos	122.50	131.02	+0.21	0.85
Income Funds				
Preference Share	25.83	27.63	-0.70	8.87
High Income	34.13	36.50	+0.13	4.71
UK Equity Income	136.84	146.35	+0.34	3.65
Global Bond	29.40	30.55†	+0.01	4.65
International Funds				
Frontier Markets	60.60	64.81†	+0.03	...
Global Inc & Gth	135.55	144.54†	+0.72	1.41
Gold & Intl Res	107.32	114.78	-2.59	0.88
Global Utilities	131.55	140.69	-0.46	0.78
Overseas Funds				
American	137.73	147.36	-1.82	0.88
European	98.65	104.40†	-1.18	0.73
Euro Sel Opps	134.80	143.10	+1.89	...
Amer Emerging	99.04	105.92	-1.86	...
Hong Kong	158.62	169.86†	-5.33	1.31
Japan	266.14	283.01	+3.39	...
Pacific Growth	214.66	229.60	+4.28	1.22
Gartmore Pensions Strategy Funds				
Managed Equity	212.33	212.33†	+1.28	1.76
Long Term Bal	227.57	227.57†	-2.57	2.25
Med Term Bal	193.51	193.51†	+0.57	2.81
UK Equity	235.29	235.29	+1.48	2.21
UK Emerging Cos	143.44	143.44	+0.26	1.34
American	223.99	223.99†	-2.39	1.29
Japan	146.69	146.69†	-0.52	...
European	254.34	254.34†	+2.96	0.97
Index Linked Gilt	166.25	166.25	-0.14	3.21
Fixed Interest	156.72	156.72	+0.23	6.27
Amer Emergos	257.09	257.09†	+2.73	...
Pacific	234.18	234.18	+4.10	0.71
Emerging Mkts	176.54	176.54†	-0.61	...
Index Strat Japan	162.77	162.77	...	0.21
-do- Pacific Rim	190.17	190.17	...	1.01
-do- Cont Europe	147.24	147.24	...	1.56
Index Strat USA	128.21	128.21	...	2.25
Gartmore Personal Pension Funds				
Managed Equity	100.34	106.75	+0.63	...
Med Term Bal	91.98	97.85	+0.28	...
Long Term Bal	104.15	110.80	+0.54	...
UK Equity	108.65	115.58	+0.72	...
UK Emerging Cos	67.26	71.56	+0.13	...
American	104.01	110.65	-1.13	...
Japan	70.57	75.07	+0.06	...
European	106.01	112.78	+1.31	...
Fixed Interest	78.69	83.72	-0.12	...
Index Linked Gilt	73.50	78.20	-0.01	...
Deposit	77.16	82.08	+0.01	...
Broker Unit Trusts				
Berkeley Intl Grth	126.62	133.18	+0.03	...
Berkeley Income	114.48	120.51	-0.04	2.12
BWH Ind	138.93	146.24	-0.34	0.58
Brcliff Gth Port Inc	60.82	64.19	+0.14	1.25
-do- Inc Port Inc	58.24	61.47†	-0.06	3.40
-do- Wwide Port	54.31	57.32	-0.18	0.50
Shaw Utilities	53.08	56.02	-0.07	3.80
GLENFRIARS UNIT TST MGRS LTD 22 Suffolk St, London SW1Y 4HS 071 930 7533				
Inv Opportunities	141.70	150.40	...	...
Higher Income	132.80	139.10	...	1.60
GLOBAL ASSET MANAGEMENT GAM Sterling Management Ltd 12 St James's Place, London SW1 071 493 9990				
& Intl Inc	573.00	609.57	...	0.09
European Inc	143.98	153.17	...	...
Amalgamtd Inc	148.08	156.71	...	...
N America Inc	335.17	356.56	...	...
Far East Inc	341.45	363.24	...	0.30
UK Divfd Inc	166.91	177.56	...	...
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MGMT LTD Shackleton House, 4 Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 071 378 7979 Dealing: 071 407 7888				
UK Equity Inc	85.62	90.22†	-0.66	3.91
UK Small Cos	51.00	54.54	-0.05	0.81
British Growth	56.50	59.60	-0.05	2.12
American Gwth	163.67	175.05	-0.74	...
Japan Gwth	89.36	95.58	+0.53	...
Greater China	193.28	206.72	+2.66	...
Pacific Strategy	164.45	175.88	+0.58	...
European Gwth	86.70	92.72	-0.99	0.17
Intl Growth	148.96	159.31	+0.98	0.97
US Index (f)	13.32	14.04	+0.01	1.80
FT-SE Mid 250 Ind	78.20	82.77	-0.02	1.89
Monthly Income	41.27	43.82†	+0.01	10.00
MIS Unit Trust Dealing: 071 865 0033				
Dollar Cash (f)	10.53	10.58	...	1.90
Grd UK Index (f)	10.77	11.34	+0.20	3.60
GRANVILLE UNIT TST MGMT LTD Mint Hse, 77 Mansell St, London E1 8AF 071 488 1212				
Small Cos	94.99	101.05	...	1.16
Bridge Income	270.97	288.26	...	5.08
GUARDIAN ROYAL EX UT MGRS LTD 36 Harbour Exchange Sq, London E14 9GE 071 538 9668				
Cash	135.00	135.00	+0.10	3.68
European	477.80	510.40	+5.70	0.14
Gilt & Fixed	129.60	137.50	-0.40	4.65
Growth Equity	334.90	357.70	+1.70	2.07
Income Trust	125.50	134.00	-0.20	2.91
International	187.50	200.30†	+0.90	...
Japan Trust	140.30	149.80	+1.00	...
Nth American	273.00	291.60	-1.10	...
Pacific	559.50	597.70	+4.60	...
Guardhill	492.80	526.40	-2.10	1.83
GUINNESS FLIGHT UT MGRS LTD 5 Gainsford Street, London SE1 2NE 071 522 2129				
EMU Trust	112.23	116.50	-0.24	8.09
Global High Inc	116.18	120.61	-0.13	8.62
Prem Fixed Int	107.92	112.04	-0.34	7.80
Eqty & Bond Inc	102.20	108.67†	-0.30	4.73
European Growth	97.47	103.63	+0.12	...
Intl PEP Trust	60.75	64.58	-0.28	...
High Income	119.17	126.71	+1.00	3.36
Recovery	388.30	413.30	-0.40	1.41
St Vinc High Inc	129.76	131.70†	-0.10	6.69
Tmp Bar Emer Co	248.00	263.70	+2.00	0.72
Tmp Br Sm Co In	354.40	380.60	+0.40	1.39
HALIFAX STANDARD TST MGT LTD PO Box 606, Edinburgh EH55 1EW 0800 838 868				
Global Advtg Inc	39.08	41.43	-0.20	1.80
Income Advtg Inc	31.63	33.53†	...	3.66
HAMBROS UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 690 390				
Model Ptflo	202.70	215.10†	+1.00	1.85
Smaller Cos	34.64	36.85	...	1.25
HENDERSON UNIT TST MGMT LTD PO Box 2157, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4BT Enquiries: 0277 263 290 Dealing: 0277 234 772				
UK Funds				
Special Sits	297.06	317.85†	+1.08	1.04
Best of British	63.24	67.68	+0.50	2.32
UK Smaller Cos	123.19	132.43	+0.87	0.97
High Income Funds				
Income & Growth	278.09	296.16	+1.67	2.90
High Income	328.70	351.37	+1.37	3.66
Extra Income	287.61	306.18†	+1.60	4.83
Pref & Gilt	49.26	52.95	+0.17	7.85
International				
International	274.56	292.61†	+1.79	0.09
Global Bond	55.63	58.95†	+0.01	6.22
Family of Funds	81.71	87.33	-0.23	0.40
Global Tech	152.45	163.04	-0.26	...
Overseas Funds				
Asian Enterprise	177.57	189.88	+2.49	0.12
European	483.81	512.54	+7.94	0.30
European Income	86.23	91.27	+1.30	2.85
Euro Smlr Cos	148.03	158.57†	+0.96	0.20
Eur Sp Sits	68.94	73.71†	+1.14	0.20
Japan Trust	229.01	243.79	+1.46	...
Japan Special Sits	267.54	284.85†	+1.73	...
Pacific Smlr Cos	250.44	266.44†	+3.68	0.11
North American	244.34	259.82	-2.47	0.03
American Smaller	104.51	111.72†	-0.85	...
Henderson TR Pension Portfolio				
American Growth	55.52	58.85	-0.44	...
Eur Sp Sits	59.17	62.71	+0.96	...
General Growth	42.06	44.58	+0.34	...
Global Tech	59.64	63.21	-0.10	...
Income Growth	41.75	44.25	+0.24	...
Japan Growth	28.01	29.69	+0.18	...
Overseas Growth	40.06	42.46	+0.25	...
Smaller Cos	21.80	23.10	+0.25	...
Special Opps	28.84	30.57	+0.21	...
Wwide Sp Sits	50.04	53.04	+0.31	...
HILL SAMUEL UNIT TST MGRS NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 686 4355				
British	99.02	105.90	+1.50	1.76
Capital	175.00	187.10	+1.10	1.37
Dollar	348.60	372.80	-3.00	...
European	245.10	262.10	+3.60	0.20
Far East	331.60	354.60	+3.20	0.07
Financial	807.30	863.40†	+5.90	0.96
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	26.52	27.55	-0.04	7.44
High Yield	110.20	117.80	+0.50	3.83
Income & Growth	148.10	158.30	+1.00	2.91
International	255.40	273.10	+1.30	0.01
Japanese General	219.20	234.40	+4.10	...
Japan Tech	88.09	94.21	+1.59	...
Ntl Resources	76.55	81.87†	+1.08	...
Portfolio	75.24	80.46	+0.39	1.66
Security	332.40	335.50†	+4.90	1.74
Smaller Cos	132.10	141.20†	+0.20	0.91
Special Sits	153.40	164.00†	-0.80	1.11
UK Emerging Cos	92.77	99.21	+0.34	0.03
US Smaller Cos	76.73	82.06	-1.04	...
HSBC UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD 7 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4HU Dlg: 071 955 5055 Enq: 0800 289 505				
James Capel Unit Trusts Dlg: 071 955 5055 Enq: 0800 289 505				
Index Funds				
American Index	193.80	206.70	-1.50	1.27
Eurotrack 100	159.00	169.10	+2.30	0.94
Footsie Fund	52.02	55.07	+0.34	2.18
Japan Index	87.31	93.18	+1.64	0.09
Tiger Index	199.30	212.70	+3.40	0.11
Trixie Index	119.10	127.10†	+0.30	1.65
UK Index	138.00	147.30	+0.80	2.80
Active Funds				
American Growth	467.50	498.00†	-2.90	0.39
Asian	56.67	60.48	+0.80	0.35
Capital	585.30	624.70†	+1.60	1.62
European Growth	114.70	121.80	+2.00	...
Global Bond	23.14	24.44	+0.07	5.84
Hong Kong Gwth	115.00	122.70†	+2.70	0.51
Income	556.00	593.40†	+3.00	3.96
Intl Growth	80.48	85.86	+0.44	0.06
Japan Growth	320.50	342.00	+4.90	...
Japan Smllr Cos	40.60	43.33	+0.81	...
Spore & Mlysn Gth	72.31	77.17	+1.55	...
Midland Unit Trusts Dealing 0742 529200 Enquiries 0742 529076				
Balanced	60.31	64.50†	+0.24	2.61
(Accum Units)	62.64	66.99†	+0.26	2.61
British Tst	81.43	87.09	+0.44	1.95
(Accum Units)	93.79	100.30	+0.50	1.95
Extra High Inc	70.32	75.21†	+0.08	5.92
(Accum Units)	130.10	139.10†	+0.20	5.92
Gilt & Fxd Int	55.92	58.19†	+0.08	6.40
(Accum Units)	154.90	161.20†	+0.20	6.40
High Yield	232.80	249.00	+0.70	4.51
(Accum Units)	558.80	597.60	+1.60	4.51
Income	298.60	319.40	+1.90	2.81
(Accum Units)	638.30	682.60	+3.80	2.81
Money Market UT	49.47	49.47	+0.02	4.52
(Accum Units)	75.06	75.06	+0.03	4.52
Monthly Income	87.79	93.89†	+0.34	4.17
Midland Personal Pension Unit Trust				
British	97.57	103.80	-0.50	1.89
European Growth	110.50	117.50	-1.90	0.02
Gilt & Fixed	83.53	88.63	+0.13	6.26
Income	86.10	91.60	+0.51	2.88
Japan Growth	60.73	64.61	+0.81	...
Managed	67.58	71.89	+0.25	2.44
Money Market	83.55	88.57	+0.05	4.54
North American	86.36	91.87	-0.45	0.49
Midland FSAVCS Unit Trust				
British	88.65	94.31	+0.45	1.87
European Growth	104.00	110.60	-1.70	0.01
Gilt & Fixed Int	79.61	84.47	+0.12	6.22
Income	84.60	90.00	+0.50	2.85
Japan Growth	60.52	64.38	+0.91	...
Managed	64.65	68.78	+0.24	2.42
Money Market	77.23	81.86	+0.04	4.49
North American	78.72	83.74	-0.41	0.58
Midland Executive Pension Unit Trust				
British	88.88	94.55	+0.45	1.86
European Growth	101.50	108.00	+1.70	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	73.53	78.02	+0.10	6.33
Income	83.95	89.31	+0.50	2.86
Japan Growth	62.00	65.96	+0.93	...
Managed	67.84	72.17	+0.24	2.40
Money Market	72.38	76.72	+0.00	4.54
North American	87.19	92.76	-0.46	0.45
INVESCO FUND MANAGERS LTD 11 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4YR 071 626 3434 Dealing: 0800 010 733				
UK Specialist Trusts				
Investment Tst	71.93	76.42	+0.23	0.27
Smaller Cos	32.33	34.34	+0.07	1.15
Special Features	31.79	33.77†	...	1.42
(Accum Units)	38.17	40.55†	...	1.42
General Funds				
Assets & Earnings	77.16	81.96	+0.57	1.87
Accum Units	92.77	98.56	+0.66	1.87
General Equities	73.92	78.54	+0.67	2.70
Great British Cos	52.19	55.81	+0.32	1.80
Managed Invest	102.30	109.40	+0.90	1.47
PEP Managed	72.81	77.77	+0.62	2.19
Rupert Child Tst	81.81	87.24†	+0.65	1.94
UK Growth	59.39	63.51	+0.33	1.68
High Income Funds				
Cashbox (Dist)	50.28	50.28	+0.01	3.87
Cashbox (Acc)	57.61	57.61	+0.01	3.87
Extra Income	86.64	92.66	+0.28	4.94
Gilt	28.22	29.74	+0.03	6.11
Income & Growth	42.28	45.12	+0.22	3.20
Minstar Gilt & FI	75.26	76.93†	-0.17	7.24
Preference Shares	19.12	20.31†	+0.03	6.17
UK Income	338.40	361.30†	+3.00	3.27
Sector Specialist Funds				
Fin Securities	67.51	71.72	+0.42	0.84
Property Shares	79.89	85.83†	+1.45	1.24
Overseas Growth Funds				
American Growth	51.33	54.52†	-0.36	0.57
US Smaller Cos	116.50	123.30	-0.90	...
(Accum Units)	117.70	124.50	-1.10	...
Europe Perf	156.30	166.00	+2.70	...
(Accum Units)	161.50	171.60	+2.80	...
Euro Smaller Cos	29.43	31.22	+0.30	...
French Growth	78.10	83.11	+1.10	0.04
Accum Units	83.67	89.03	+1.18	0.04
H Kong & China	92.08	99.15	+1.25	1.56
Intl Growth	58.95	62.63	+0.48	0.29
Accum Units	59.25	62.95	+0.48	0.29
Japan Perf	38.61	40.99	+0.74	...
Accum Units	38.61	40.99	+0.74	...
Japan Smaller Cos	49.48	52.58	+0.65	...
Singapore ASEAN	106.20	115.20	+1.90	...
Accum Units	107.00	116.00	+1.90	...
SE Asia	324.10	344.30†	+6.60	0.17
Overseas Income Funds				
Global Income	94.38	100.50	+0.59	1.46
Intl Bond	56.76	57.50†	+0.25	6.50
JUPITER MERLIN UT MGRS LTD 197 Knightsbridge, London SW7 1RB 071 581 3020				
American Cap	158.20	168.30	-0.80	...
Income	142.14	151.21	+0.27	3.96
Res & General	...	...	...	...
UK Growth	53.68	57.11	+0.43	0.04
International	87.84	93.44	+1.11	0.24
Ecology	82.61	87.89†	+0.41	...
European	114.19	121.04	+0.64	...
Far Eastern	333.20	354.40	+0.70	...
KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT TRUSTS 10 Fenchurch Street London EC3 Dealers: 0277 227 380				
Income Trusts				
Extra Income	54.25	57.71†	+0.35	6.78
Gilt Yield	118.30	124.90†	+0.20	7.00
Global Income	227.20	241.70	-0.40	3.87
High Yield	144.80	154.00	-0.16	5.62
Smllr Cos Div	57.80	61.49	+0.10	2.81
Capital Growth Trusts				
Amer Smllr Cos	96.12	102.30	-0.35	...
North American	77.07	81.99	-0.55	0.30
European Special	97.67	103.90	+1.11	1.20
European	156.40	166.40	+2.10	1.19
General	280.80	298.70	+2.30	3.01
Japan	473.10	503.30	+5.40	...
Japanese Special	27.90	29.69†	+6.50	...
Master Accum	249.40	265.30	+1.60	0.81
Pacific	356.80	379.60†	+5.50	0.22
Smaller Cos	118.20	125.70	+0.21	0.92
UK Equity Growth	42.82	45.55	-0.83	1.70
KNIGHT WILLIAMS PRTFOL MGRS 161 New Bond Street, London W1Y 0LA 071 629 1085				
Global Inc & Gth	65.34	69.41	+0.35	0.80
Inv Trust	70.84	75.36	+0.11	...
Cautious Inc/Gth	61.24	65.16	+0.26	1.40
High Inc Acc	56.55	60.17	+0.02	3.70
L & C UNIT TST MGMT LTD Broadwalk Hse, 5 Appold St EC2A 2DA 071 588 2868				
Income	612.50	625.00	...	5.01
Intl & General	428.60	437.30	...	0.59
LAURENCE KEEN UNIT TRUST MGMT 1 White Hart Yard SE1 071 407 5966				
Inc & Growth Inc	57.90	61.60	+0.40	4.06
Smaller Cos	55.15	58.36	-0.03	0.86
LAURENTIAN UNIT TST MGMT LTD Laurentian Hse, Barnwood, Gloucester GL4 7RZ Enq: 0452 371 500 Dlg: 0452 371 623				
Growth Trust	251.70	269.80	+2.00	1.71
High Income	111.70	118.80	-0.30	3.98
International	96.54	102.70	-0.70	0.14
Recovery Trust	64.12	68.21	+0.11	1.39
European Trust	85.50	90.98†	+0.85	0.37
Japanese Trust	49.15	52.29	+0.70	...
American Trust	81.34	86.53	-0.98	...
Managed	67.92	72.26†	+0.28	0.42
Cash	50.09	50.09†	+0.01	4.02
LAZARD UNIT TST MGRS LTD 21 Moorfields, London EC2P 2HT 071 374 0916				
UK Cap	353.00	358.50	...	2.39
UK Inc/Gth	384.90	390.40	...	3.04
UK Income	270.50	274.70	...	3.67
UK Sm Cos	254.00	263.20	...	1.22
Euro Gwth	129.80	134.60	...	...
N Amer Gwth	80.27	81.13†	...	0.09
Jap & Pac Gth	86.28	87.36†	...	...
Money Mkt	118.24	118.24	...	2.33
LEGAL & GENERAL (UT MGRS) LTD 5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 690 395				
Equity Dist	466.50	496.30†	+2.20	2.37
Equity Income	101.10	107.60	+0.40	3.34
UK Tactical Allocn	55.48	58.92†	+0.42	3.36
European	118.00	125.50	+1.80	0.41
Far Eastern	246.30	262.00	-2.10	...
Fixed Interest	52.70	56.01†	...	6.48
Gilt	90.73	96.21†	-0.35	6.32
Global Growth	81.74	86.96	+0.28	0.45
Intl Bond	54.82	58.19	+0.14	5.10
Japanese	85.31	90.76	-0.71	...
North American	153.50	163.30	-0.70	0.34
Pacific Growth	119.50	127.10†	+1.00	...
UK Index	61.85	65.28†	+0.31	2.88
UK Recovery	92.26	98.15	+0.41	1.63
UK Smaller Cos	125.70	133.70	...	0.83
US Index	58.39	61.63	-0.47	1.77
European Index	75.27	79.37	+1.17	1.31
Japan Index	45.48	48.00	+0.59	...
Worldwide	86.96	92.51	+0.43	0.91
LINCOLN NATIONAL 1 Olympic Way, Wembley HA9 0NB 081 902 8876 Dealing: 0800 282 621				
Growth	48.90	52.30	-0.08	3.18
Income	59.96	64.30	+0.17	3.65
Far East	60.26	64.45†	+0.76	...
North American	100.80	108.40†	-1.50	...
Global	101.00	108.00†	+0.01	0.63
European	88.51	94.64	+1.42	0.82
Japan	123.00	131.60	+2.10	...
Intl Currency Bd	58.20	61.62†	+0.20	6.18
SE Asia	120.30	128.70†	+1.90	0.74
UK Cap Growth	92.18	98.59†	+0.62	1.88
LLOYDS BK UNIT TST MGRS LTD PO Box 63, Chatham, Kent ME4 4YB Helpdesk: 0634 834 339 Dealing: 0634 834 313				
Balanced	345.10	367.20	+0.90	2.60
-do- Acc	766.10	815.00	+1.90	2.60
Contl Euro Gth	63.26	66.59	+0.81	0.91
-do- Acc	67.39	70.94	+0.86	0.91
Extra Inc	259.30	275.90	+3.70	3.67
-do- Acc	650.20	691.80	+9.40	3.67
German Gth	127.90	134.70	+1.20	...
-do- Acc	134.10	141.20	+1.20	...
Growth Port	549.50	584.60†	+1.50	0.01
-do- Acc	554.10	589.50	+1.40	0.01
Income	499.90	521.20	+6.60	3.55
-do- Acc	£12.78	£13.60	+16.00	3.55
Income Port	517.60	550.70	-0.10	3.84
-do- Acc	532.00	566.00	...	4.10
Japan Growth	115.20	122.60†	+1.80	...
-do- Acc	115.60	123.00	+1.80	...
Master Trust	58.83	62.59	+0.12	1.50
-do- Acc	64.76	68.90	+0.12	1.50
N American Gen	187.60	199.60	-1.90	...
-do- Acc	216.70	230.60	-2.20	...
NAm Sm Co Rec	149.00	158.60†	+1.40	...
-do- Acc	152.00	161.80	+1.40	...
Pacific Basin	264.60	281.50	+3.30	0.52
-do- Acc	280.80	298.80	+3.60	0.52
Small Cos Rec	359.20	378.20	...	1.98
-do- Acc	471.80	496.70	...	1.98
UK Growth	86.17	91.68	+1.39	2.12
-do- Acc	102.30	108.90	+1.50	2.12
Worldwide Gth	325.70	346.50	+1.50	0.35
-do- Acc	480.50	511.20	+2.20	0.35
LONDON & MANCHESTER TST MGMT Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 282 653				
American	64.77	69.50	-0.58	0.30
General	87.52	93.91	+0.19	2.50
Income	67.57	72.50†	+0.09	5.00
International	66.11	70.93	+0.06	0.70
Japan	62.86	67.45	+0.52	...
Tst of Inv Trusts	69.45	74.52†	+0.05	1.60
M & G SECURITIES M & G House, Victoria Road, Chelmsford CM1 1FB Cust Svcs/Unit Dlg 0245 390 390				
Amer & General	400.30	423.30	-3.70	0.81
Amer Recovery	458.50	484.90	-6.70	0.33
Amer Smllr Cos	130.30	137.80	-0.80	...
Australasian	172.70	182.60	-0.10	1.44
Capital	813.10	859.90	+1.30	2.07
Charifund	707.50	714.60	-0.80	5.11
Commodity	402.00	425.10	-3.10	0.28
Compound Grth	926.30	979.60	-3.10	2.45
Dividend	40.50	42.80	-0.20	4.13
Equity Income	352.30	372.60	-0.50	4.64
Euro & General	522.60	552.70	+4.40	0.61
Euro Dividend	73.10	77.30	+0.50	3.31
Extra Yield	418.20	442.20†	-1.90	4.46
Far Eastern	375.50	397.10	+3.10	0.50
Fund of Inv Tsts	617.00	652.50	-0.60	1.76
General	60.80	64.30	-0.20	3.63
Gilt Income	62.26	62.35	-0.39	6.84
Gold	68.60	72.50	-1.10	0.74
High Income	28.70	30.40	-0.10	4.38
Intl Growth	79.50	84.10	+0.70	0.82
International Inc	100.50	109.50†	-0.02	4.22
Japan & Gen	52.60	55.60	+0.30	...
Japan Smlr Cos	187.90	198.70	+1.30	...
Managed Income	28.00	29.40†	-0.10	3.77
Midland	65.10	68.80	-0.10	2.52
Pension Ex	952.30	976.30	-0.50	3.83
Recovery	42.30	44.70	-0.20	2.14
Second General	71.60	75.70	-0.10	3.31
Smaller Cos	71.70	75.80	-0.30	2.55
Treasury	25.04	25.07†	...	4.71
Trustee	43.10	45.60	...	4.03
MGM UNIT MANAGERS LTD MGM House, Heene Rd, Worthing Dealing: 0277 261 008 Enq: 0903 204 631				
European Growth	83.89	89.24†	+1.21	0.42
High Income	287.00	305.30†	+0.70	4.50
Intl Bond	66.53	69.78	-0.08	5.73
Intl Equity Growth	72.23	76.84	+0.68	0.43
N Amer Growth	96.44	102.59†	-0.55	0.80
Special Sits Growth	22.27	23.69†	+0.04	1.56
UK Growth	370.20	393.80†	+1.10	2.56
MW INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD 46 Court St, Haddington, E Lothian 062 082 5867				
Joint Investors	£12.91	£13.20	...	2.60
MALDON UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD c/o Baillie Gifford 1 Rutland Ct EH3 8EY 031 222 4242				
Maldon General	144.90	149.20	...	3.85
MANULIFE MANAGEMENT LTD St George's Way, Stevenage Dealings: 0438 747 434				
Growth Units	190.30	203.50	+0.70	2.13
Gilt & Fxd Int	173.70	183.00	-0.60	6.57
Intl Growth	217.60	232.00	+0.80	0.15
North American	181.70	194.10	-1.40	0.35
Far East	275.40	294.50	+3.80	0.91
UK Smaller Cos	172.60	184.60	+0.80	1.44
European	83.82	89.16	+0.95	0.11
Japanese Growth	52.07	55.44	+0.51	...
Managed Ptflo	69.04	73.28	...	1.51
High Income	185.90	198.80	+0.60	4.14
MARKS & SPENCER UNIT TRUST LTD PO Box 400, Chester X CH99 9QG 0244 688 866				
M & S Inv Ptflo	151.50	161.20	+0.50	1.94
-do- Accum	171.00	181.90	+0.50	1.94
UK Sel Ptflo	128.80	137.00	+0.51	2.14
-do- Accum	146.80	156.10	+0.51	2.14
MARLBOROUGH FUND MGRS LTD 57 Victoria Square, Bolton BL1 1LA 0204 364 842				
Managed Tst	67.11	71.39†	...	3.67
MARTIN CURRIE UNIT TRUSTS LTD Saltire Ct, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh 031 479 4646				
Intl Income	75.37	80.01†	-0.11	4.02
European	83.96	89.13	+0.52	0.42
Income & Growth	76.33	81.03	-0.20	2.93
Nth American	59.12	62.76	-0.38	0.35
Far East	172.70	183.30	+1.50	...
Charities	117.60	124.80	+0.10	3.41
Japan	62.27	66.10†	+0.71	...
Emging Mkts	113.20	120.00	+0.20	0.19
Intl Growth	110.60	117.40†	+0.80	0.06
UK Growth	88.08	93.50	...	0.58
Asian Opps Fd	39.92	42.70	+0.46	...
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD 33 King William St EC4R 9AS Dealing: 071 280 2860				
American	201.50	214.60	-1.20	...
(Accum Units)	215.30	229.30	-1.40	...
American Opps	89.73	95.71	+0.60	...
(Accum Units)	90.85	96.91	+0.60	...
British Blue Chip	78.78	83.90†	+0.45	3.00
(Accum Units)	95.37	101.50†	+0.50	3.00
Cash	100.90	100.90	...	4.80
(Accum Units)	133.80	133.80	+0.10	4.80
Emerging Mkts	121.20	130.30	...	...
European Growth	251.00	268.30	+2.30	0.59
(Accum Units)	272.40	289.10	+2.50	0.59
European Income	87.10	92.26	+0.38	2.64
(Accum Units)	114.10	120.80	+0.50	2.64
General	512.70	546.90†	+2.50	2.21
(Accum Units)	992.50	1059†	+4.00	2.21
Global Bond	124.80	131.30†	+0.10	6.06
(Accum Units)	146.90	154.50†	+0.10	6.06
Gold & General	183.50	197.30	-5.60	0.48
(Accum Units)	187.60	201.70	-5.70	0.48
Govt Securities	93.72	96.65	-0.15	7.36
(Accum Units)	173.60	179.10	-0.20	7.36
Income	154.60	164.60†	-0.30	4.14
(Accum Units)	234.60	249.90†	-0.70	4.14
International	460.70	491.40	+2.60	0.57
(Accum Units)	614.40	655.30	+3.40	0.57
Japan	214.90	227.80	+1.30	...
(Accum Units)	220.60	233.90	+1.20	...
New Europe	176.70	188.50	+0.80	1.38
(Accum Units)	180.80	192.80	+1.00	1.38
Pacific	126.10	134.50	+1.30	0.62
(Accum Units)	134.10	143.00	+1.40	0.62
Recovery	341.20	364.00	+2.40	2.46
(Accum Units)	432.80	461.60	+3.10	2.46
UK Smaller Cos	61.14	65.22†	+0.05	1.07
(Accum Units)	68.73	73.31†	+0.06	1.07
Portfolio	80.91	86.08†	+0.33	2.63
(Accum Units)	94.11	100.10†	+0.35	2.63
METROPOLITAN UT MGRS LTD 3 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar EN6 1AJ 0707 662 233				
Eurogrowth Plus	117.45	124.95	+0.73	0.86
Intl Strategy	67.12	71.40	+0.41	0.07
UK Income Inc	76.84	81.74†	+0.27	4.58
MILLENNIUM FUND MGMT LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966				
International (US$)	12.58	13.38	...	...
MORGAN GRENFELL INVEST FDS LTD 20 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 1UT Dealers: 071 826 0826 Enquiries: 071 826 0123				
American Gwth	317.00	337.70†	-1.60	...
European Gth Inc	392.50	418.20	+4.90	...
Intl Gwth	196.90	210.20	+1.00	...
UK Equity Inc	176.40	186.30†	-0.10	3.14
UK Intl Trckr Inc	157.50	168.50	+0.40	2.87
US Eq Ind Trk Inc	193.20	205.00†	-1.40	1.49
Japan Tracker	83.13	88.04	+0.77	...
Asian Trader	211.90	230.50†	-3.70	0.44
Managed Inc	150.90	162.30	+0.70	1.59
Deposit Inc	99.86	99.86†	+0.02	3.84
Europa	175.70	188.40	+1.20	...
Genesis	158.20	172.10	-0.10	...
High Income	22.53	23.89	+0.08	10.00
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UT MGMT 7 West Nile St, Glasgow G1 2PX 0345 090 933				
Acumen	96.09	98.33†	+0.18	2.26
Acumen Inc	91.96	94.10†	+0.17	2.26
Acumen Reserve	82.76	83.60†	-0.47	7.13
-do- Inc	74.55	75.30†	-0.42	7.13
American Growth	173.30	180.80	-0.70	0.67
Cash Income	49.83	50.34	+0.02	4.06
Equity Income	98.35	101.20†	+0.10	4.45
European	76.21	78.00	+0.60	0.49
Smaller Cos	79.47	83.03	-0.49	0.97
Olympiad	69.28	71.21	+0.63	...
Global Bond	47.55	48.05	...	6.25
UK Growth	92.25	94.77†	+0.15	1.93
Pacific Growth	108.30	111.90	+1.70	...
Japan Growth	101.70	103.60	+0.80	...
NFU MUTUAL UNIT MGRS LTD 5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010				
Avon Equity	119.51	127.14	+1.58	2.83
NM UNIT TRUST MGRS Enterprise Hse, Isambard Brunel Rd, Portsmouth Enq: 0705 882 695 Dlg: 0705 882 680				
NM Managed Portfolio Service				
Cap Gth Inc Inc	106.50	113.20	-0.20	1.57
Open Cap Gth Inc	108.30	115.20	-0.10	1.39
NM Unit Trusts				
American	43.72	46.58	-0.30	1.69
Australian	350.30	376.00	+4.40	...
Conscience	72.42	77.28	+0.19	0.45
European	205.10	218.10	+3.10	0.69
Extra Income	74.91	79.04	+0.25	5.55
Gilt & FI	58.10	61.31	-0.06	6.03
Gold	63.02	67.76	-0.83	...
Income	55.58	59.28	+0.31	3.92
Intnl	33.78	36.12	+0.25	0.69
Jap Smaller Cos	408.50	435.70	+6.10	...
Sing & Malaysian	236.50	252.50	+8.70	...
Smaller Cos	31.26	33.61	+0.12	0.60
Special Sits	36.70	39.46	+0.21	1.55
Sterling Deposit	100.20	100.20	...	4.50
Tokyo	94.41	100.70	+1.45	...
UK Equity	175.00	186.60	+0.90	2.66
US Smaller Cos	113.70	121.50	-0.40	...
N&P UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD 35 Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF 061 237 5322				
UK Growth	75.19	79.99	+0.31	1.78
UK Income	110.80	117.90	+0.70	3.54
Gilt & Fixed Int	73.61	77.90†	+0.14	3.96
Higher Income	225.60	240.10	+0.90	4.47
Smaller Cos	85.64	91.11†	-0.03	1.50
International	100.63	107.06	+0.56	1.16
NATIONAL PROV INV MGRS LTD 48 Gracechurch St EC3P 3HR 071 623 4200				
Americas Dist	108.00	115.50	-0.90	...
European Dist	110.00	117.60	+2.30	...
Far East Dist	188.60	201.70	+2.00	...
Global Care Dist	72.52	77.56	+0.22	2.25
Oseas Dist	£10.48	£11.21†	+12.00	0.33
UK Dist	343.30	367.20	+2.00	2.12
UK Extra Inc Dist	77.20	82.57	+0.23	3.41
Wwide Dist	107.10	114.50†	+1.30	...
Wwide Inc Dist	71.40	76.36†	+0.61	1.98
NATIONAL WESTMINSTER UT MGRS 5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Dlg: 0277 690 289 Admin Enq: 0277 690 398				
Europe Inc	64.30	67.86†	+1.02	0.25
Fund of Funds Inc	58.68	61.93	+0.47	0.86
North America Inc	48.93	51.64	-0.57	0.41
UK Equity Grth Inc	60.16	63.49	+0.30	1.76
UK General Inc	57.75	60.95†	+0.44	2.23
UK Gilt/Fix Int Inc	48.19	50.74†	+0.04	6.50
UK Income Inc	59.15	62.43	+0.42	2.76
NEWTON FUND MGRS LTD 71 Queen Victoria St, London EC4V 4DR Dealer: 0500 440 000 Private client: 0500 550 000 Broker: 0500 660 000				
Income	227.19	241.70†	+1.02	3.39
Global	346.89	369.04†	+1.10	2.05
General	192.22	204.49	+0.49	2.11
Bond	130.09	138.14	+0.11	6.22
Growth	125.33	133.23†	+0.32	2.30
Intrepid	124.29	129.47	...	1.70
Bridge Fund	89.00	94.69	...	...
Distributor	91.67	97.53	+0.09	4.51
NORWICH UNION TST MANAGERS PO Box 124, Surrey Street, Norwich 0603 682 224				
Master Trust	123.53	131.41†	+0.81	1.69
UK Equity	139.34	148.23†	+0.95	2.71
UK Equity Income	134.67	143.27	+0.86	2.83
UK Smaller Cos	125.17	135.16	+0.28	0.96
UK Equity Growth	128.92	137.15†	+0.79	1.98
UK Index Trckg	137.86	146.66†	-0.36	3.31
Intl Index Trckg	146.79	156.16†	+1.00	1.06
International	237.95	253.14	+2.29	0.73
European	193.60	205.96	+2.98	0.36
Pan European	131.00	139.36	+1.89	1.16
Nth American	159.65	169.84	-0.45	0.46
N Amer Smllr Cos	182.32	193.96	-0.09	...
Japanese	106.80	113.62	+1.36	...
Pacific	244.05	259.63	+3.95	0.29
South East Asian	259.79	276.37	+4.31	0.40
Intl Bond	136.05	144.65	+0.65	4.98
Gilt & Convertible	107.81	114.61	+0.18	6.36
Property	88.47	94.12	+0.54	4.79
PEARL UNIT TRUSTS LTD Pearl Centre, Lynch Wd, Peterborough PE2 6FY Dlg: 0800 626 577 Enq: 0733 470 470				
Equity	239.10	254.30	+1.10	2.20
Growth	154.20	162.30	+0.50	2.45
Income	240.70	256.10†	+1.10	3.37
Intl Equity	255.60	271.90	+1.60	0.65
UK Income	66.77	71.02	+0.29	2.93
UK Ind 25	78.45	83.46	+0.42	1.76
New Europe	79.33	84.38	+1.16	...
PERPETUAL UNIT TST MGMT 48 Hart Street, Henley on Thames 0491 417 000				
Intl Gwth	611.04	653.52	+4.40	0.28
Income	337.33	361.00†	+2.95	3.07
Wwide Recovery	386.52	413.40	+2.16	0.33
Amer Growth Inc	222.81	238.30	-2.42	0.01
Intl Emerging Cos	250.98	268.43	-0.91	0.03
Far Estn Grth Inc	302.40	323.43	+1.91	0.18
Euro Gwth Inc	146.68	156.88	+1.92	0.60
UK Growth Inc	85.28	91.21†	+0.53	2.46
High Income	94.65	101.23	+0.73	3.79
Jap Gwth Inc	254.55	271.10†	+4.10	0.01
PEP Growth	120.40	128.78	+0.88	1.00
Asian Str Mkts Inc	126.45	135.25	+4.23	0.01
Amer Smlr Co Inc	137.29	146.84	-0.77	0.01
Global Bond	58.47	61.69†	+0.01	5.50
UK Smaller Cos Inc	81.40	87.06	+0.35	0.97
PILGRIM UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD 39 Pilgrim Street, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 6RQ Admin & dealing: Unit Trust Accounting & Mgmt Ltd, 1 White Hart Yard, London SE1 1NX 071 407 5966				
American	106.71	113.52	+0.42	...
European	70.64	75.15	+0.11	...
Global	67.78	72.11	...	...
Pacific	67.38	71.68	-0.31	...
UK Inc & Grth	65.47	69.65	-0.06	1.99
POINTON YORK UT MGRS The Crescent, King St, Leicester LE1 6RX 0533 558 540				
BRI Director Dlgs	101.75	108.37	+0.29	...
PORTFOLIO FUND MGMT LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London SE1 1NX 071 407 5966				
Portfolio	161.23	170.24	+0.92	0.62
PREMIUM LIFE UNIT TST MGRS LTD 37 Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458 721				
Monthly Income	59.41	62.97	+0.17	2.09
Growth Income	63.53	67.34	+0.16	1.56
PRINCIPAL UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD 16 South Park, Sevenoaks TN13 1AN 0732 740 700				
Principal Tst	134.03	142.59	+1.04	1.73
PROLIFIC UNIT TST MGRS LTD Walbrook Hse, 23 Walbrook EC4N 8LD Enquiries: 071 280 3700 Dealing: 0800 282 443				
American Income	96.45	102.60	-0.40	3.71
Conv & Gilt	121.90	129.70	-0.10	5.34
European Income	78.04	83.02	-0.82	2.56
Extra Income	155.80	165.70†	+0.90	3.47
Far East	407.50	434.00	+2.30	0.14
Global Income	37.25	38.98	+0.07	4.32
High Income	121.00	128.70	+0.50	3.25
International	211.80	225.30	-1.80	0.54
Pref & Fxd Int	44.35	47.18	+0.01	6.70
Recovery	80.80	85.96	+0.35	1.97
Special Sits	108.60	115.60	+0.40	1.09
Technology	347.30	369.40	-1.60	...
UK Blue Chip	69.23	73.66	+0.40	2.73
PROSPERITY UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD 1 Sessions Hse Sq, Maidstone ME14 1XX 0622 674 751				
General	52.22	56.09	+0.33	2.50
International	94.99	101.05†	+0.46	0.07
Gilt	26.06	26.87	+0.07	6.58
Income & Gwth	73.24	77.91	+0.52	4.66
European	55.60	59.15†	+0.97	1.08
American	52.90	56.28	-0.44	0.05
Emerging Mkts	89.96	95.70	...	0.53
UK Smaller Cos	32.82	34.91†	+0.10	1.54
Gilt/Fixed Interest	26.20	27.87	-0.12	5.75
Global PEP	41.03	43.65	+0.36	1.43
PROVIDENCE CAPITOL FD MGRS LTD 2 Bartley Way, Hook, Hants RG27 9XA 0256 768 888				
European Inc	266.00	285.70	+3.60	0.72
Japan Inc	116.00	124.00	+1.50	...
Nth American Inc	110.00	118.60	-0.80	0.12
Worldwide Inc	169.80	182.90	+0.60	0.69
Hong Kong Inc	156.30	168.60	+2.80	0.19
Swiss Equities Inc	68.20	73.48†	+0.43	0.35
Wwide Bond Inc	62.33	66.20†	-0.08	5.27
Emging Asia Inc	202.10	218.20	+3.20	0.41
UK Money Mkt Inc	50.31	50.31	+0.01	4.85
Thailand Inc	136.90	147.60	-1.10	0.91
Gold Trust Inc	82.61	89.27	-0.43	0.17
New Zealand Inc	89.14	95.38	-0.30	1.14
Int Mngd PEP Inc	67.11	72.53†	+0.23	1.64
Latin Am Cap Inc	86.50	92.69	-0.98	0.03
UK All Sh Mirr Inc	57.67	62.09†	+0.33	2.20
Le Fond Francais	70.31	75.67	+0.57	0.38
Broker Unit Trusts				
Global Trustees	82.28	88.00	-0.22	1.45
Global Portfolio	73.20	77.86	-1.22	...
Global Opps	74.16	78.98	-1.19	0.44
Marsh Global Grth	69.58	73.70	-0.17	1.87
AAM Global Equity	58.59	62.33	+0.32	0.77
CAM Brit Gwth Inc	88.98	95.71†	-0.06	0.92
CAM Int Recvy Inc	47.78	51.87	-0.12	0.08
Temple Equity Inc	47.68	51.98	+0.25	2.24
Hanley Growth	80.00	85.30	-0.02	0.56
Intl Growth Inc	85.10	91.02	-0.60	1.41
IPS Portfolio Inc	89.05	95.34	-0.21	0.22
St Jms Mm Inc Inc	50.09	52.59	+0.14	2.43
Premier Pertins Inc	70.56	75.46	-0.02	0.85
Roxburgh Strat Gth	74.11	79.26	-0.21	0.34
Tech Analysis	104.70	111.40	+0.80	0.59
Rosebery Growth	44.18	47.55†	+0.17	...
International Strat	77.22	82.59†	...	...
UPC Ind-Act Grth	55.41	59.16	-0.29	...
Coverdale Topout	51.60	55.64	...	...
Prem Equity Inc	97.92	103.10	-0.10	0.59
Lowes Intl Growth	47.96	50.48	+0.63	1.13
PROVIDENT MUTUAL UT MGRS LTD 25-31 Moorgate, London EC2R 6BA 071 588 3965				
Equity Gth	164.70	175.20†	+0.10	1.91
European Gth	97.85	103.60†	+0.80	0.39
Income & Gth	136.00	144.70†	-0.10	2.43
Japan Gth	132.20	139.90†	+0.70	..
Nth Amer Gth	113.90	121.00†	-0.40	..
Overseas Gth	89.56	94.96†	+0.8[illegible]	...
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUSTS LTD 51-59 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL 081 478 3377 Client Enq: 071 911 4490 Intermed dlg: 071 911 4314 Pricebank: 0426 925 691				
Managed Tst	36.95	39.51†	...	1.38
Cash Haven Inc	101.34	101.83†	...	3.83
Cash Haven Acc	108.45	108.99†	...	3.83
Dist Trust Inc	94.70	101.28	...	4.94
Dist Trust Acc	94.70	101.28	...	4.94
Global Growth	89.57	96.11	...	1.10
Equity Inc	85.23	91.15	...	3.35
Equity	708.64	758.11†	...	2.29
European	212.34	226.99	...	0.71
High Income	90.51	96.80†	...	3.64
Intl Grth	185.16	198.03	...	0.79
Intl Sm Co	81.95	87.64†	...	0.28
Japanese	228.95	244.85†	...	...
Nth Amer	162.71	173.75	...	1.31
Pacific Mkts	103.62	110.82	...	0.62
Premier Inc	48.07	50.88†	...	5.15
Sm Cos	93.09	99.56	...	1.83
Spec Sits	109.17	116.75	...	2.16
UK Growth	119.00	127.27	...	2.10
RELIANCE UNIT MGRS LTD Reliance House, Tunbridge Wells, Kent 0892 510 033				
British Life	307.60	326.30†	+1.80	2.99
Reliance Inc	...	...	...	...
ROCK ASSET MGMT (UNIT TRUST) LTD Bulman House, Regent Centre, Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne NE3 3NG 091 285 2585				
Managed	97.74	103.70	...	1.88
ROTHSCHILD FUND MANAGEMENT St Swithin's Lane, London EC4 Dealers: 071 280 5000				
FA America (Inc)	530.15	564.57	-3.09	0.55
FA America (Acc)	617.78	657.89	-3.61	0.55
FA UK Equity Inc	160.39	170.95	+0.73	3.31
FA Japan	296.37	315.95	+1.79	...
FA Major UK Cos	95.42	101.58	+0.46	2.29
FA Smllr UK Cos	305.19	331.64†	-0.34	0.81
FA European	315.49	333.27	+2.35	0.85
FA Amer Smllr Cos	46.94	50.34	-0.07	...
FA Asia	52.33	56.35	+1.17	...
FA Jap Smllr Cos	57.25	61.27	+0.67	...
RAM Personal Pension				
UK Major Cos	93.46	98.37	+0.45	...
UK Smllr Cos	86.67	91.22	+0.08	...
UK Income	91.96	96.79	+0.41	...
America	103.83	111.39	-0.61	...
Japanese	64.97	68.38	+0.39	...
European	100.02	105.33	+0.74	...
Gilt	85.48	89.97	-0.25	...
Deposit	80.00	84.21	+0.04	...
Managed	98.16	103.32	+0.17	...
RAM FSAVC Scheme				
UK Major Cos	91.16	95.95	+0.44	...
UK Smaller Cos	84.85	89.31	+0.09	...
UK Income	89.88	94.60	+0.41	...
America	103.23	108.65	-0.60	...
Japanese	63.40	66.73	+0.38	...
European	97.66	102.79	+0.71	...
Gilt	84.65	89.10	-0.25	...
Deposit	76.40	80.42	+0.03	...
Managed	93.05	97.94	+0.14	...
ROYAL LIFE FD MGMT LTD PO Box 34, Peterborough PE2 0UE Prices: 0733 282 828 Gen Enq: 0733 390 000 Dealing: 0733 393 000				
United States	75.82	80.71	-0.50	0.11
Pacific Basin	86.95	93.25	+0.95	...
High Inc Dist	127.70	136.50†	...	4.45
Ryl Life Intl Crncy	60.21	64.01†	-0.12	3.52
Ryl Life Intl Gwth	70.25	75.03	+0.21	0.32
Ryl Life Intl Spec	64.91	69.04†	+0.44	...
UK Emerging Cos	120.50	130.20	-0.30	1.45
UK Index Trckg	163.90	174.10	+2.00	3.19
European	127.50	136.70	+1.50	0.28
Managed	145.60	156.60	+0.30	0.81
ROYAL LONDON UNIT TST MGRS LTD Royal Ldn Hse, Colchester CO1 1RA 0206 764 400				
American Growth	148.60	157.30	-1.50	0.44
European Growth	112.30	118.70†	+0.10	0.53
Far East Growth	130.50	138.90	-0.20	0.24
Japan Growth	151.90	161.50	-2.80	...
Special Sits	197.20	209.70†	-0.30	1.35
UK Growth	76.45	81.32	-0.11	2.03
Triton General	241.70	257.20†	-1.30	0.65
ST JAMES'S PLACE UT GROUP LTD 150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NS 041 307 6500				
Far East Inc	180.70	191.20	+2.30	0.39
Gtr Euro Prog Inc	358.70	379.60	+3.50	0.48
Growth Inc	137.70	145.70	+1.80	0.50
International Inc	357.10	377.90	+5.20	0.51
Nth Am & Intl Inc	336.60	353.20	+4.30	0.19
UK Gen Prog Inc	215.70	228.30	+0.80	0.70
UK High Inc Inc	137.80	145.80	+0.70	3.54
SANWA INTL INVEST SERVICES LTD City Place Hse, 55 Basinghall St EC2V 5DU 071 330 0572				
American Gwth	64.51	68.63	-0.61	...
Amer Smllr Cos	84.50	89.89	-0.59	...
Asian Gwth	111.34	118.45†	-0.78	0.75
European Gwth	71.06	75.59	+0.19	1.00
Global Bd	60.83	64.24†	+0.07	5.00
Global Eq	69.25	73.67	-0.18	0.50
Japanese Eq	63.79	67.86	-0.05	...
Japan Sm Cos	75.96	80.80†	-0.12	...
UK Gen	53.99	57.44	-0.06	2.80
UK Gwth	59.13	62.91	-0.10	1.75
SAVE & PROSPER GROUP 16-22 Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 0800 746 966				
Amer Inc & Gwth	70.68	75.19	-0.25	3.98
Amer Smllr Cos	110.50	117.60	-0.50	...
Asian Smaller Cos	54.65	58.14	-0.23	...
Capital Portfolio	131.00	139.40	-0.10	1.69
Capital	166.30	176.93	+0.10	0.32
Cash	122.50	122.50†	...	5.34
China Dragon	67.63	71.95	+1.04	0.69
Commodity	131.90	140.30†	-0.10	0.55
Eastern Discovery	113.50	120.70	+1.70	...
Energy Inds	120.90	128.60	+0.20	0.17
European Gwth	198.70	211.40	+2.00	0.09
Euro Inc & Gwth	81.60	86.81	+0.77	1.85
Euro Smllr Cos	53.82	57.25	+0.21	...
Financial Secs	196.70	209.30	-0.20	0.59
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	49.87	52.63†	-0.16	8.07
Gold & Exploration	86.11	91.61	+0.14	0.03
High Return	230.10	244.80	-0.70	4.04
High Yield	223.20	237.40†	-1.00	3.51
Income	121.40	129.20	-0.30	4.13
Intl Bond	168.40	177.90†	-0.10	5.41
ITG	209.90	223.30†	...	0.51
Japan Growth	188.30	200.30	+1.60	...
Japan Smaller	217.70	231.60	+0.70	...
Korea	75.43	80.24	+0.94	...
Masterfund	57.24	60.89	+0.21	0.53
Scotbits	292.80	311.50	-0.30	0.84
Scotshares	288.00	306.40	-0.80	1.57
Scotyields	238.50	253.70†	-0.20	3.22
Select Intl	146.10	155.40†	+0.70	0.43
Smaller Cos Inc	253.40	269.60†	-0.20	2.99
SE Asia	583.60	620.80	+7.00	...
Special Situation	124.50	132.40	-0.30	0.52
UK Equity	242.00	257.40	-0.30	2.62
UK Growth	66.22	70.45	-0.06	1.49
UK Smllr Cos Gwth	48.55	51.65	-0.05	1.03
US Growth	149.40	158.90†	-1.30	0.10
Univ Growth	145.70	155.00†	+0.60	0.48
SCHRODER UNIT TRUSTS LTD Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria St EC4V 4EJ Client: 0800 526 535 Broker: 0800 526 540 General Enquiries: 071 382 3800				
Retail Funds				
American	249.63	265.52	-0.52	0.76
European Gwth	76.32	81.32	+1.28	0.70
Euro Smllr Cos	76.05	81.12	+0.76	0.03
Far Eastern Gth	99.75	106.40	+1.23	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	53.25	56.14†	+0.02	7.40
Global Bond	53.74	55.52	+0.14	5.60
Global Emer Mkts	55.42	59.11†	+0.35	...
Income	357.80	381.49†	+2.99	3.54
Japan Smllr Cos	544.94	581.36	+8.40	...
Japan Enterprise	75.63	80.67†	+0.90	...
Pacific Gwth	132.84	141.69	+2.29	0.08
Seoul	54.72	59.19	+1.40	...
Smaller Cos	217.18	231.65	+0.90	0.48
Tokyo	131.54	140.30†	+2.51	...
UK Enterprise	247.91	264.43	+1.77	2.02
UK Equity	241.05	257.11	+2.21	2.55
US Smllr Cos	156.70	167.14	-0.63	...
World Fd	80.67	86.04	+0.66	1.72
Institutional Funds				
European	238.12	248.04	+2.27	1.19
Euro Smllr Cos	30.02	31.27	+0.18	1.51
Global Equity Inc	78.20	81.45	+0.36	0.60
Japan Smllr Cos	41.67	43.40	+0.39	0.02
Mngd Balanced	189.60	197.49	+1.03	2.51
Overseas Equity	189.99	197.90	+1.18	0.73
Oseas Smllr Cos	129.66	135.08†	+0.39	0.28
Pacific	252.10	262.60	+3.78	0.86
Recovery	£19.88	£20.71	+19.67	2.44
UK Index	154.07	160.48	+0.57	2.53
UK Small Cos	119.72	124.70†	+0.30	2.29
US Smllr Cos	44.63	46.48	-0.20	0.23
SCOTTISH AMICABLE UT MGRS LTD 150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NQ 041 204 2200				
Equity Income	51.37	54.71	-0.07	2.86
Equity Trust	58.75	62.57	-0.26	2.01
Equity Strategy	69.16	73.66	+0.22	0.85
European Opps	88.39	94.14	+0.57	0.49
UK Smaller Cos	65.12	69.36	-0.05	0.91
Maximum Income	94.42	100.95	+0.03	4.54
Japanese	87.15	92.82	+1.21	0.01
Asia Pacific	131.08	139.60	+2.54	0.47
American	106.00	112.89	-0.95	0.16
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE FD MGRS LTD 28 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh 0800 454 422				
Cash	30.06	30.06	+0.01	4.602
UK General Inc	52.21	55.69	+0.10	2.54
Intl Income	290.50	309.90	+1.70	1.58
European	79.26	83.80	+0.89	1.79
Japan	75.55	80.16	+0.58	0.10
American	66.06	69.65	-0.87	2.17
Far East	90.58	96.62	+1.12	0.60
Ethical Inc	31.53	33.73	+0.13	1.78
UK Blue Chip Inc	33.21	35.48†	-0.16	2.73
High Inc Inc	37.66	40.17	+0.03	3.53
UK Global Inc	41.65	44.45†	+0.16	1.30
Wwide Tact	76.60	82.01	+0.26	0.60
Europe 2000 Tact	54.39	57.70	+0.57	0.80
Technology	105.39	112.50†	+0.06	1.00
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS 19 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh 031 225 2211				
UK Equity	379.00	404.60	+2.40	2.67
American	261.50	277.80	-2.60	0.60
Pacific	417.40	446.80	+7.20	0.61
European	549.30	587.50	+7.20	0.97
Worldwide	94.72	101.30	-0.40	0.71
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INV MGRS LTD 109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041 248 6100				
UK Equity Inc	272.40	289.80	+1.50	2.15
UK Str Co Eq Inc	208.50	221.80	+0.40	1.20
Select Oppty Inc	68.03	72.96	-0.20	2.07
Income Plus Inc	72.85	77.19†	+0.41	3.64
European Inc	365.00	377.70†	+4.50	1.44
Far Eastern Inc	179.70	191.20†	+3.20	0.63
Japanese Inc	69.27	73.70†	+0.09	..
Nth American Inc	264.50	299.10†	-2.50	0.40
Intl Growth Inc	213.00	226.60	+0.60	0.49
Wwide Venture Inc	81.62	90.80†	+0.30	0.05
SCOTTISH PROV INV MGMT LTD 6 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh EH2 2YA 031 558 2348				
Equity Growth Inc	23.79	25.46†	+0.07	2.72
Intl Growth Inc	32.47	34.75†	-0.24	0.98
Market Leaders Inc	22.58	24.17	+0.06	2.90
SCOTTISH WIDOWS' FUND MGMT PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031 668 3724				
Equity Inc	367.40	391.80	-1.10	2.91
UK High Inc	190.70	201.40	-0.70	3.51
Europe Inc	348.60	371.70	+3.90	0.32
Nth Amer Inc	216.80	231.30	-1.70	..
Global Inc	214.90	228.90	+0.20	0.57
UK Spec Sits Inc	105.70	112.70	-2.30	2.98
South East Asia	232.90	248.40	+1.20	0.55
Cash Trust Inc	101.30	101.30		4.36
UK Smllr Cos Inc	111.00	118.40	-0.30	1.60
Intl Bond Inc	96.12	102.10	+0.20	6.10
SEMPER EADEM FUND MGMT LTD 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010				
Sector Recovery	165.90	174.30†	-0.60	3.57
SHARP (ALBERT E) & CO 5 Rayleigh Rd Hutton, Brentwood Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010				
European	127.00	131.70	-1.40	0.77
Nth American	104.20	109.70	-0.70	0.43
Intl Bond & Conv	131.80	139.70		4.47
Pooled Pension (C)	185.40	199.40		.
Smaller Cos	73.39	77.15	-0.06	1.11
UK General	129.70	136.10	+0.40	1.90
SHEPPARDS UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD 1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1 071 407 5966				
Income	414.52	440.98†	+3.09	4.18
Global Inc	67.99	72.22†	+0.57	2.59
Brit Leaders	330.93	352.05†	+2.94	2.29
Intl Leaders	208.20	221.49†	+0.61	0.60
PAM Mg Bal Grth	64.38	66.89†	-0.01	0.96
SINGER & FRIEDLANDER INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD 21 New St, London EC2M 2HR 071 626 6226				
Amer Gth Fund ‡	94.24	..	-0.47	1.23
Aztec ‡	..	.	...	..
European ‡	126.20	.. †	+1.70	.
Global Bond ‡	99.42	... †	-0.21	6.69
Samurai ‡	102.80	... †	+0.80	.
UK Growth ‡	108.70	.. †	+0.10	0.23
Tai Pan ‡	106.80	... †	+0.30	..
SMITH & WILLIAMSON UT MGRS 1 Riding House St, London W1A 3AS 071 637 5377				
American	299.90	317.30	+0.50	0.37
Canadian	81.89	86.65	+0.33	0.24
Capital	133.50	142.90	-0.10	1.10
Cash	100.24	100.24†	+0.01	4.43
European	137.90	145.90	+0.30	0.26
Far Eastern	175.50	185.60†	-1.30	..
Growth	143.70	152.00	-0.50	1.22
Income	130.10	137.60†	-0.20	4.31
Magnum	142.90	153.10	-0.30	1.09
Smllr Secs	381.10	403.20†	+0.40	0.78
Thoroughbred	165.40	177.30†	-0.30	1.02
SOVEREIGN UNIT TST MGRS LTD 12 Christchurch Rd, Bournemouth 0202 298 422				
Cash	50.28	50.78	..	4.20
Cntrlld Prfrmnce	58.76	62.68†	-0.31	7.80
Ethical	57.93	61.62†	-0.44	3.10
European Growth	72.34	77.05	-0.95	2.40
Income	56.59	60.35	-0.62	5.50
Intl Growth	98.16	104.70	-0.90	2.70
Managed	81.11	86.52	-0.67	3.40
UK Growth	62.12	66.26†	-0.72	3.50
STANDARD LIFE TST MGMT LTD 3 George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 0800 393 777				
Managed Acc	50.48	53.64	-0.10	1.81
UK Equity Gth Acc	70.06	74.44	-0.30	1.26
-do- High Inc Inc	38.16	40.55†	-0.10	3.08
-do- High Inc Acc	46.27	49.17	-0.10	3.08
UK Equity Gen Acc	61.00	64.82	-0.20	2.09
UK Equity Gen Inc	45.62	48.48†	-0.10	2.09
UK Lrgr Co Acc	422.80	458.80	-1.90	3.33
UK Lrgr Co Inc	316.50	343.50†	-1.00	3.33
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	31.19	32.99†	-0.20	5.74
Oseas Lrg Co Acc	316.30	343.30	-2.30	1.39
Nth American Acc	44.12	46.88	-0.60	0.80
Far East Acc	71.19	75.64	+2.10	2.39
European Acc	53.05	56.37	+2.40	0.49
STATE STREET UT MGMT LTD 28 King Street, London SW1 6QW 071 344 7000				
Global A (US$)	3.806	4.061	...	1.27
US Eqts (US$)	2.216	2.353	...	0.65
Far East Eqts (yen)	258.40	274.50	..	...
Japan Eqties (yen)	260.00	276.20	..	...
FT Europe	129.20	137.20	...	1.75
FT N Amer (US$)	1.704	1.807	...	1.17
FT Japan (yen)	240.30	255.30	...	...
FT Asia Exjap (US$)	2.383	2.531	..	0.78
STEWART IVORY UNIT TST MGRS LTD 45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031 226 3271				
American	370.20	395.20	-2.10	0.06
British	£10.82	£11.23†	+2.60	3.26
Emging Mkts	158.20	168.50	-0.20	0.20
European	528.60	563.30	+2.00	0.98
Japan	171.70	182.40†	+2.70	...
New Pacific	382.70	410.00	+3.60	0.74
Investment Tst	231.00	244.90†	+0.30	0.98
Mngd Equity	179.00	189.40	+0.70	1.38
Mngd Cash	95.50	95.50†	+0.04	4.52
SUN ALLIANCE UNIT TST MGMT LTD 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 690 389				
Equity	821.50	878.60	+4.70	3.31
North America	129.80	138.80	-1.00	0.43
Far East	158.80	169.80	+1.90	...
Wwide Bond	59.15	62.79†	+0.21	4.61
European	108.90	116.50	+1.60	...
Equity Income	94.25	100.80	+0.60	4.54
Portfolio	88.25	94.30†	+0.54	0.89
UK Leading Cos	58.72	62.47	+0.39	3.94
Broker Trusts				
Intnl Equity	70.37	75.26	+0.12	...
SUN LIFE OF CANADA UT MGRS LTD Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants 0800 525 735				
American Growth	34.67	37.09	-0.30	0.69
Managed Assets	128.71	137.66	+0.31	2.62
UK Income	40.00	42.79	+0.16	2.93
UK Growth	39.13	41.86	+0.14	2.21
Worldwide Growth	35.84	38.34	+0.15	0.48
SUN LIFE TRUST MGMT LTD 101, Cannon St, London EC4N 5AD Admin & Enq: 071 606 4044 Dlg: 071 606 6060				
Master Portfolio	50.00	53.48	-0.07	...
Cap Protector Inc	42.49	45.44	+0.19	2.18
UK Income Inc	52.98	56.66	+0.51	2.48
Mngd Extra Inc Inc	32.91	35.20	+0.25	3.32
Mngd High Yld Inc	81.49	87.16	+0.66	3.41
Mngd Inc/Gth Inc	77.67	83.07	+0.90	2.44
Mngd Wwide Gth	38.06	40.71	-0.03	...
UK Smaller Cos	35.59	38.06	+0.05	1.45
Pacific Grth Port	46.49	49.72	+0.96	...
SWISS LIFE UNIT TST MAN CO LTD 5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010				
Equity Dist	534.60	565.70	+4.40	2.10
Fixed Int Dist	119.80	124.10	...	7.27
UK Indx Trck Dist	129.50	137.00	+0.90	2.82
TSB UNIT TRUSTS Charlton Pl, Andover, Hants SP10 1RE 0264 346 794				
American	217.70	231.59	-0.86	...
Brit Growth	93.89	99.88†	+0.47	1.93
European	114.81	122.14	+1.96	0.32
Extra Income	203.91	216.93†	+1.27	5.77
Smaller Cos	76.40	81.28†	+0.06	1.03
General	290.98	309.53	-2.00	2.18
Premier Income	52.86	55.06	-0.06	5.68
Income	356.30	379.04	+2.34	3.36
Pacific	441.86	470.06	+6.33	...
International	570.76	607.19	+4.82	0.17
Nat Resources	177.46	188.79†	+1.56	0.06
Sisd Opps	111.39	118.50†	+0.26	1.05
Environmental Inv	62.82	66.83	-0.57	1.80
Selector	66.06	70.28	+0.36	2.19
High Income	66.73	70.99	+0.37	4.36
Intl Income	59.90	63.72†	+0.26	4.83
Selector Income	63.91	67.99	+0.29	4.92
TU FUND MANAGERS LIMITED NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 667 1055				
British	336.00	351.60	+2.00	2.52
TEMPLETON UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD Saltire Court, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2EH 031 469 4000				
Glob Growth Inc	202.73	216.83	+0.18	1.64
Glob Balncd Inc	172.00	183.95	+0.25	2.80
Value Tst Inc	123.06	131.62	+0.35	1.46
THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD 33 Queen Street, London EC4R 1AX 071 246 3000 Dealing: 071 246 3001				
Amer Smllr Cos	66.51	70.94†	-1.52	...
Dresdner Eur Bd	42.46	44.62†	-0.21	5.81
Japan Tst	95.44	101.80	+1.67	...
Little Dragons	98.97	105.58	+1.97	0.44
Oriental Income	49.63	52.93†	+0.88	4.67
Tiger	270.09	297.69	+5.49	0.54
UK Blue Chip	63.45	67.76	+0.50	2.92
UK Smllr Cos	104.00	112.19†	+0.25	1.05
Formerly AEtna				
Nth Amer Gwth	228.23	242.79	-1.93	0.65
European Growth	283.72	303.41†	+3.84	0.84
Exempt	535.62	560.55	+2.81	3.42
UK High Yield	107.38	114.23	+0.72	3.35
Iberian Growth	49.87	53.05†	+0.52	0.02
Intl Growth	107.89	114.77†	-0.20	0.60
Preference	124.57	132.52†	+0.17	8.23
UK Recovery	273.80	291.28†	+1.97	1.86
UK Smlr Cos Div	103.51	110.11	-0.23	4.41
UK Growth	517.49	550.52†	+3.39	2.15
WAVERLEY UNIT TST MGMT LTD 13 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031 225 1551				
Australasian Gold	32.05	34.10	+0.00	...
Pacific Basin	40.54	43.12	-0.37	0.60
Can Balncd Gwth	34.05	36.22	-0.69	...
Global Bond (US$)	0.88	0.92	-0.00	5.84
Penny Share	31.45	33.48	-0.05	1.50
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TST MGMT LTD 2 Honey Lane, London EC2V 8BT 071 600 0462				
Challenger	96.89	99.13	-0.65	...
Short Dtd Gilt	110.50	112.00†	-0.10	...
US Govt Bd (US$)	0.72	0.75	-0.00	2.27
Gilt Income	51.64	53.74†	-0.17	6.75
Gilt Growth	70.71	73.58	-0.54	...
City Reserve	52.27	52.27	...	4.18
WOOLWICH UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD 2 White Oak Square, Swanley BR8 7AG 081 298 4000				
Stockmarket Fd	79.21	84.26	+0.74	1.73

Source: Finstat

* Yield expressed as CAR (Compound Annual Return); † Ex dividend; ‡ Middle price; ... No significant data.

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Prices close near best of day

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began yesterday. Dealings end April 22. §Contango day April 25. Settlement day May 3. §Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days. Prices recorded are at market close. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close, but adjustments are made when a stock is ex-dividend. Changes, yields and price/earnings ratios are based on middle prices.

BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
523	463	Abbey Ntl	467 †	+3	...	3.7	15.7
314	241	Allied Irish	249 †	+4	...	5.0	∞
278¾	220¾	Aus New Z	239½	-2½	...	3.9	18.4
3281½	2637¾	Bankamerica	2762¾	-31¼	...	...	...
359	246	Bk of Ireland	258	+3	...	4.8	19.0
247	183	Bank Scotland	188	+2	4.6	3.1	29.5
640	487	Barclays	529 †	+3	...	3.6	21.9
37	13¼	Carlisle	31				
655	535	Cater Allen	538	...	28.0	6.5	...
180	138	Cattles	146 †	...	5.0	4.3	∞
2325	1549¼	Chase Manh	2250¾	+9¼	...	...	...
2912½	2262¼	Citicorp	2600	-43¾	...	...	...
285½	217	Close Bros	246 ‡	+1	...	3.3	13.3
£150½	£130¾	Commerzbk	£144¾	+21¾	...	2.6	...
£344¼	£298¾	Deutsche Bk	£322¼	+300	...	1.9	...
90	60	First Nat Fin	70	...	...	2.7	...
1909½	1152½	Fuji Bank Y	1484¾	-4¾	...	0.4	...
515	398	Gerrard Nat	405	...	21.5	6.6	10.8
1113	733	HSBC	780 †	+20	23.5	3.8	∞
1133	749	HSBC HK	797 †	+17	23.5	3.7	∞
473	352	Hambros	383	+2	14.3	4.7	17.2
440	413	Joseph (L)	418	...	16.7	5.0	...
170	132	King Shaxson	139	...	9.0	8.1	...
693	474	Kleinwort Ben	474 †	-1	...	4.0	∞
660	540	Lloyds	556 †	+4	...	4.9	21.0
118	95	Lon Scot Bk	107	...	3.4	4.0	18.1
630¾	537¾	Nat Aust Bk	569	-1½	...	4.2	13.9
622	448	Nat West	478 †	...	...	4.8	10.9
573	450	Provident	482 †	-1	...	4.1	15.3
70	59	Rea Bros	68 †	...	...	1.4	17.5
528	399	Ryl Bk Scot	408	+1	...	3.4	18.4
1460	1050	Schroders	1205 †	...	16.5	1.7	∞
1437	1028	Stand Chart	1024 †	+11	...	2.8	10.5
291	210	TSB	220	+2	...	4.4	15.0
199	148	Union	150 ‡	...	...	3.5	∞
1012	728	Warburg SG	764	...	...	3.2	11.2
£100¼	8612½	Wells Fargo	£300¼	+100	...	2.7	...
260	202	Westpac	225	...	...	2.4	∞
390	310	Wintrust	350	...	...	3.4	31.3

BREWERIES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
683	540	Allied-Lyons	546 †	-4	...	5.0	15.1
619	507	Bass	538	+4	...	4.6	14.3
298	257	Boddington	261 †	+3	...	3.8	13.3
450	389	Bulmer (HP)	409	...	...	3.2	16.4
193	168	Burtonwd Brw	168	...	4.7	3.6	14.0
181	142	Eldridge P 'A'▲	143	...	...	3.1	20.1
66	56	Fosters Brewing	57	-½	...	5.1	69.9
493	423	Fullr Sm 'A'▲	435	...	7.5	2.2	18.3
506	427¾	Grand Met	481 †	+11	...	3.4	20.9
511	429	Greenalls Grp	444	-1	...	3.5	15.1
584	490	Greene King	494	...	...	3.2	13.8
542	460	Guinness	471 †	+3¼	...	3.4	14.9
261	239	Hardy Hansn	252	...	...	4.2	13.5
160	135	Hawtree▲?	160	...	...	2.8	14.5
457	353	Highland Distl	403	...	...	2.1	20.0
3225	3125	Holt J	3150	...	42.0	1.7	20.5
161	127	Macallan-Glen	143 †	+½	...	1.0	39.5
455	365	Macdn Martn 'A'	445	...	...	2.9	21.2
246	199	Mansfield	199	-1	...	2.5	14.3
302	263	Marston Thmp	267	+2	...	2.6	14.9
595	548	Matthew Clark	553	+2	...	4.1	31.7
250	125	Mrydwn W	145	...	7.0	6.0	13.0
545	490	Morland	490	-2	...	2.5	16.9
11	9¼	Paramount▲	9½	...	...	2.0	17.1
267	209	Regent Inns	238	+1	...	2.1	24.2
1521½	1000	SA Breweries	1000	-100	...	2.7	16.5
591	510	Scot & New	540	+8	...	3.9	16.5
190	147½	Taunton Cider	150	+2	6.2	5.2	11.7
306	266	Vaux Group	297	+6	...	4.0	19.1
409¾	324½	Wetherspoon JD	352 ‡	+4	...	2.1	27.3
617	511½	Whitbread	539	+16	...	4.2	12.9
589	493	Wolvrhmptn D	523	+9	...	3.0	14.7
530	483	Young 'A'	528	...	14.7	3.5	21.8

BUILDING, ROADS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
205	155	Abbey	175	...	...	1.4	28.7
27	18	Albrighton▲	22	...	...	0.6	...
200	148	Allen▲	178	...	...	3.5	40.3
164	118	Amec	135	+1	...	2.8	16.2
454	333	Ashtead▲	394	+1	...	1.5	26.3
165	115	Attwoods	117	+1	...	5.4	...
363	309	BPB Ind	320	+11	...	3.0	38.3
127	93	Baggeridge Brk	119	...	...	3.3	35.8
41	26	Bailey (Ben) Con	38	...	...	2.3	∞
88	68	Barcon	78	...	...	4.8	9.4
60	47	Bardon	48	...	2.0	5.3	∞
292	214	Barratt Devs	247 †	+9	...	2.5	26.5
304	230	Bellway	238	+5	...	3.2	22.4
59	46	Bellwinch	50	...	...	...	...
243	125	Berisford Intl	223	...	...	...	...
573	476	Berkeley Gp	478	+1	...	1.6	25.8
172	118	Bett Bros	163	...	...	1.5	21.0
93	60	Blockleys	76	+2	1.0	1.6	...
391	315	Blue Circle	325½	+5¼	...	4.3	...
355	277	Boot (Henry)	325	...	6.0	2.3	18.2
117½	89	Breedon PLC	89 †	-½	4.6	6.5	∞
154	130	Br Dredging	140	+1	5.2	4.6	31.1
98	78	Brit Fittings	83 †	+1½	2.0	3.0	∞
197½	149	Bryant	151 †	+1	...	4.0	23.0
149¼	111¼	CALA	118 ‡	...	...	2.7	...
409	348	CRH	384 †	+1	...	2.4	∞
70	31	Cakebread Rby	48	-5	...	...	...
42	27½	Costain	33	+2½	...	...	9.8
188	152	Countryside	152	-2	...	3.4	33.7
120	90¼	Crest Nicholson	99 †	...	...	1.3	...
140	103	Cussins	125	...	3.0	3.0	∞
29½	19	Edmond Hldgs	25 †	...	0.3	1.5	∞
340	273	Epwin	326	...	...	2.9	21.2
82	57	Erith	66	...	0.3	0.7	...
473	435	Eve Group▲	453	...	...	2.8	17.1
245	132	Freeman Gp▲	234	...	...	3.2	20.1
60	41	Galliford	41	-1	...	3.0	...
112	87	Gibbs & Dandy	106	...	2.5	2.9	∞
1028	913	Gleeson (MJ)	975	...	...	1.6	16.9
165	139	Hewden-Stuart	165	+4	2.9	2.2	∞
53	46	Hewetson	51	...	...	3.1	37.7
473	383	Heywd Wim	396 †	+9	...	4.0	26.4
145	122	Higgs & Hill	130	-1	...	2.3	...
34	27	How Gp	31	+1	...	4.5	...
32	20	Howard Hldgs	23	...	0.5	2.7	...
100	83	Ibstock Johnsen	88	-1	1.0	1.4	...
25	16	Jarvis	23½	...	...	...	...
428	305	Laing (J)	351 †	+6	9.0	3.2	∞
164	122	-do- 6.4% Cv Pf	134 †	-3¼	...	6.0	...
145	115	Ln Clydeside▲	130	...	...	4.6	25.5
173	105	Lovell (Y)	123	...	...	...	...
405	332	Manders	340 †	+1	...	3.7	17.9
217½	154	Marley	174 †	+6	...	3.0	23.8
158	128	Marshalls	134	-3	...	3.7	...
253	196	Maunders (J)	241 †	...	...	2.7	23.2
330	240	McAlpine (A)	268 †	...	...	3.0	35.3
82½	55	McCarthy & S	65	...	...	1.0	...
569	480	Meyer Int	488	+3	...	2.6	48.9
190½	100	Mowlem (J)	108	+4	2.0	2.4	...
252	150	NSM	244	+3	...	...	...
48	36	Needler▲	36	...	...	5.0	16.8
196	164	Newman Tnks	167 †	+½	6.2	4.6	∞
379½	284	Persimmon	284 ‡	-1	...	3.9	25.5
20	9	Phoenix Timber	16	...	...	...	...
1800	1450	Pochins	1450	-50	28.0	2.5	20.0
198	173	Prowting	178	+1	3.4	2.4	...
1079	916	RMC Gp	944	+8	...	2.6	35.4
116	84½	Raine Ind	89½	-½	...	2.8	18.2
40	23	Ramus▲	27	...	...	...	...
640	584	Redland	631 †	+9¼	...	5.7	33.3
86	70	Roskil	81 †	-1	4.3	6.6	...
371	288	Rugby Group	305 †	+1	6.7	2.8	∞
60	50	Smart-Bros▲	52	+2	0.5	1.2	∞
189	155½	Sharpe & Fisher	158 †	+½	...	3.3	∞
288	249	Sheffield Insl	266 †	-1	...	2.5	21.4
270	233	Sheriff Hldgs▲	269	...	...	1.7	25.6
110	94	Shorco▲	108	...	5.2	6.0	24.5
245	218	Smart (J)	218	...	...	4.9	16.4
5	2	Stermin	3½	...	...	...	...
206	167½	Tarmac	181	+2	5.5	3.8	...
257	192	Tay Homes	212 †	...	...	3.5	22.8
183	138	Taylor Woodrw	161 †	...	1.5	1.2	∞
760	630	Tilbury Dougls	703	-2	33.0	6.1	∞
60	36	Torex Hire▲	52	...	...	1.4	...
370	300	Travis Perkins	313 †	-½	...	3.2	23.3
29½	16	Trencherwood	23	...	...	...	...
43	27	Try Group	27	...	...	4.9	∞
28	21	Tudor▲	26	...	0.2	1.2	...
113	90	Vibroplant	90	...	2.5	3.5	32.4
74	52	Ward Hldgs	67	+1	...	...	...
45	33	Warehouse	40	...	...	...	...
545	450	Watts Blake	535	-2	12.0	2.8	∞
225½	192	Westbury	192	...	5.0	3.3	30.0
7	3¼	Wiggins	5½	...	...	...	...
571	493	Wilson Bowdn	496	...	9.3	2.4	∞
259	195	Wilson (C)	196	...	4.1	2.7	∞
249	180	Wimpey G	195 †	+11	...	3.4	29.2
30	20	YRM	25	...	...	...	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
740	583	ADT	680	-10	...	...	...
433	253	Adam & Harvey	433	...	13.0	3.8	7.9
83	63	Air London▲	79	-3	3.5	5.5	14.1
62	44	African Lakes	54	...	0.5	1.2	∞
140	92¼	Auto Sec	110	...	...	6.9	∞
162	120	BET Ord	123½	+3½	...	2.3	5.0
177	115	BNB Res	166 †	-2½	4.9	3.7	∞
255	190	BPP	190 †	...	...	5.8	13.8
186	152	BSM	167	+3	...	4.3	14.2
235	205	Barbour Index	205	...	8.1	5.0	14.0
1½	1	Black & Edge▲	1½	...	...	...	...
23	17	Boustead	18	+1	0.7	4.9	...
226	169	Brit Data Mgt	184 †	+9	4.9	3.3	13.4
31	22	Broadcastle▲	27 †	...	1.0	4.6	∞
76	58	Brooks Service	69	...	...	0.9	...
121	98	CRT Gp	104 †	...	...	3.5	18.8
238	205	Capita Group	225 ‡	...	2.5	1.4	∞
59	47½	Caskel Plc	49	+½	...	2.3	18.8
26½	21½	Chiltern Capital	24½	...	...	...	...
85	63	Christie	71	-4	...	...	...
423	361	Chubb Sec	364	-6	...	1.8	22.6
132	104	Comac	121	...	...	1.6	31.2
57	41	Corp Services	51	+2	0.2	0.8	∞
97	81	Coutts Consltg	93	...	...	...	...
179	142	Dart	143	...	3.3	2.9	19.4
276	236	Davis Service	240	...	...	4.2	16.6
154	119	EW Fact▲	134 †	...	4.7	4.4	∞
34	25	Gardiner	29½	...	...	3.6	11.4
334	282	Hays	290	+2	...	2.4	22.2
289	245	Hogg Robinsn	253	...	...	3.3	18.6
39	32	Holmes Protectn	32	...	...	...	2.0
365½	255¼	Hutch Whamp	285	+1½	...	1.6	24.4
2690¼	2098½	ISS B DKr	2454¾	+9¼	...	0.8	∞
609	503	Inchcape	541 †	+15	...	3.4	18.5
1035	864	Johnson Clean	978 †	...	27.0	3.5	∞
8	5¼	Lep	6	...	...	...	...
375	283	Mitie Gp	355	...	4.0	1.4	24.5
1290½	1150½	Manpower	1290¾	...	...	...	...
78½	55	Michael Page	77	...	2.1	3.5	∞
115	108	Pennsa▲	109	...	8.0	0.2	6.1
5½	3½	Prime People▲	3½	-½	...	...	...
89¾	60½	Proudfoot	71 †	...	...	6.3	...
415	365	RCO	385	...	15.2	4.9	13.0
190	97	REA	180	...	2.0	2.3	...
127	104	Reed Executive	122	...	...	...	...
131	105	Reliance Sec▲	110	...	4.5	5.1	28.9
279	226	Rentokil	231 †	+1	2.8	1.5	∞
366	295	Rolfe & Nolan	308	...	...	3.0	21.1
392	254	Salvesen (C)	262	+6	...	3.8	27.4
58	43	Scott Pickford▲	48	...	0.8	2.1	15.3
17¼	9	Select Appt▲	13	...	...	...	...
307	253½	Serco Gp	307 ‡	+22	...	1.4	∞
115	77	Sherwd Compt▲	77	-2	...	11.4	2.2
130	100	Sketchley	115	...	...	3.3	28.3
338	325	Warner Howrd	338	...	6.6	2.5	17.5
35	24	Welpac	25	...	...	1.9	18.9
30½	25½	Wills Gp	27	...	...	...	...

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
280	231	Allied Colloids	262	+1	...	2.1	24.1
1141	988	Amersham	1041	-3	...	1.7	30.0
3½	3	Anglo Utd	3½	...	...	...	...
£131½	£105¾	BASF DM	£129¾	+87¼	...	3.4	...
373	304	BTP	331	...	...	3.6	26.6
£159¼	£129¾	Bayer DM50	£158¾	+27¾	...	2.7	...
185	105	Blagden	118	...	1.5	1.6	12.7
131	98	Brent Chems	118¾	+2	...	4.2	...
495	340	Br Bio-Tech	490	...	...	...	34.3
13	5¼	Caird Gp	8½	-1	...	...	...
199	153	Canning (W)	177	+2	7.2	5.3	∞
567	470	Courtaulds	531	+2	...	3.3	13.5
384	327½	Croda	359¾	...	...	2.9	17.5
133	109	Doeflex	126 †	+1	4.6	4.6	∞
282	227	Ellis & Everard	247	...	...	3.7	20.7
41½	35½	Euro Colour	41½	...	0.8	2.7	18.9
381	337	Halstead (J)	337 †	-1½	...	2.5	15.7
217	174	Hickson	214 †	+7½	...	4.7	∞
£137¾	£108¾	Hoechst	£136¾	+109½	...	2.7	...
215	157	Holliday Chem	202	...	...	2.5	∞
824½	728	ICI	823 †	+8	...	4.2	66.5
843	722	Laporte	769 †	+3	...	3.4	20.8
248	190	Leigh	204	-2	...	4.8	18.0
70	48	MTM	63	...	...	...	...
2400	1912½	Norsk Hydro	2103¾	+9¼	...	1.5	∞
625	461	Palmstn Zoch	534 †	...	...	2.9	14.6
595	416	-do- 'A'	534 †	...	...	3.0	13.8
250	215	Plysu	230	...	...	3.8	19.6
342	255	Porvair	337 †	...	...	1.6	25.3
66	54	Sutcliffe Speak	60	...	...	...	...
490	430	Wardle Storeys	430	...	...	5.1	19.6
695	570	Wolstnhlme R	698 †	...	18.0	3.4	∞
483	390	Yorks Chem	434	...	...	2.4	20.1
312	258	Yule Catto	275	+2	...	2.7	17.1
869	715	Zeneca	724 ‡	-5	...	4.7	14.5

DRAPERY, STORES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
80	44	Alexon	46	...	...	...	...
248	203	Allders	226	+1	...	3.4	16.8
410	339	Argos Plc	347 †	+3	...	2.9	∞
11½	6¼	Ashley Group	6½	...	...	3.6	...
102	72	Ashley (Laura)	85	+2	0.1	0.1	...
357	305	Asprey	315	...	8.2	2.1	20.3
199	177	Austin Reed	177	...	...	1.8	...
168	145	Beattie (J) 'A'	146	...	...	5.2	14.7
150	110	Benalls	130	...	1.9	1.8	...
165	121	Betterware	130	-5	...	2.1	15.6
44	36	Blacks Leis	40	...	2.2	7.0	...
261½	215	Body Shop	225	+1	...	1.0	29.0
12½	2¼	Brown & Jacksn	4½	+1½	...	...	...
491	420	Brown (N)	460	+4	...	2.0	27.0
74½	51	Burton	56½	+½	...	4.4	...
245	180	Cardons	193	...	...	2.6	26.0
520	390	Church	395 †	...	13.0	4.1	∞
171	148	Clinton Cards	154 †	...	4.7	3.8	∞
287	225½	Coats Viyella	241 †	+4	...	4.1	18.4
120	68	Colourvision▲	68	...	5.6	10.3	12.2
170	157	Cty Casuals	159	...	...	3.2	14.8
908	843	Courts Furnish	843	...	5.6	0.8	10.6
210	155	Crown Eyes	180	...	7.5	5.2	12.3
137	92½	Dairy Farm Intl	105½	+2½	...	3.7	∞
109½	97½	Dewhirst (IJ)	105	+½	0.8	1.0	33.7
287	200	Dixons Grp	204	...	...	3.9	...
12	8	ERA Gp	10	...	...	...	...
580	530	Elys (Wimbldn)	580	...	18.0	3.5	19.9
284	217	Essex Furn	247	...	...	1.9	39.5
266	217	Etam	221	+1	7.0	4.0	20.3
558	498	Fine Art Dev	499	...	13.0	3.3	16.2
50	46	Fired Earth Tiles	50	...	...	...	...
715	680	Forminster	708	...	14.5	2.6	12.9
155	124	French Conne	131	...	...	...	...
73	66	Gent SR	66 †	...	...	4.3	20.5
114	85	Goldsmiths Gp	114	+1	...	1.2	∞
653	558	GUS	617	+9	...	2.3	19.1
31	21	Hampden Grp▲	26	...	...	5.2	...
82	53	Hartstone	59	-1	...	...	...
33½	20¼	Helene Plc	28	...	2.0	9.0	13.2
110	88	Heritage▲	89	...	...	...	...
91	70	Honeysuckle▲	71 †	-2	...	4.4	10.4
211	178	Jacques Vert	178	-3	...	2.5	13.6
778	544	Kingfisher	588	-1	...	3.2	∞
88	74	Leslie Wise Gp	76 †	...	...	6.6	16.8
565	525	Liberty	533	...	7.2	1.7	62.8
380	330	Lloyds Chem	355 †	-1	...	2.8	11.8
184	158	MFI	162	-1	...	3.0	73.6
460¾	403¾	Marks Spencer	439	+½	...	2.5	21.4
680	569	Menzies (John)	653	+2	...	2.2	16.5
288	238	Moss Bros	280	...	5.5	2.5	32.9
251	214	Next	234½	...	...	3.0	13.2
65	39	Oliver (G)	64	-1	...	...	88.9
336	255	Ordmne Intl	255	...	...	4.8	12.5
41	25	Pentos	32	-1½	...	...	...
268	225	QS Hldgs	228	-7	5.1	2.9	∞
62	33	Rhino Grp▲	39	...	0.5	1.6	∞
209	176	Rowthys?	180 †	+3	4.6	3.2	∞
180	130	Sherwood Gp	143	...	...	2.6	∞
132	113	Sears	117½	+1	...	3.7	47.3
40½	27½	Signet Group	40½	+1	...	...	...
549	484	Smith WH 'A'	525	+4	...	3.5	16.9
127	115	-do- B	121½	...	...	3.1	19.6
21	11	Specialeyes▲	14	...	...	...	...
252	212	Storehouse	220	...	...	2.8	21.8
198	146	T & S Stores	181 †	-½	6.1	4.2	∞
173	135	Tie Rack	151	+3	1.0	0.8	24.7
265	234	Time Products	238	...	7.7	4.1	20.5
132	111	Usher (Frank)▲	117	-1	6.0	6.4	12.7
468	384	Vendome	457	+2	...	1.7	21.3
44	34	Vivat	40 †	...	1.2	3.9	∞
70	46	WEW Group	46	...	...	3.7	33.9
49	42	Wensum▲	42	...	1.8	5.6	...
129	102	Wickes	104	+2	...	1.2	24.8
89	54	Wld of Leather▲	84	...	...	...	...
195	175	Wyevale	178 †	...	4.4	3.1	∞
2½	2	Xtra-vision▲	2½ #	...	...	...	...

ELECTRICALS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
187	137	ACT Group	165	+1½	...	3.8	16.6
269	208	Acal▲	260 †	...	...	3.2	19.7
542	478	Admiral	541 †	...	...	1.5	19.9
190	163	Alba	172 †	-1	...	3.5	19.5
42	34	Alphameric	36	...	...	...	...
50	34	Amstrad	37 †	...	...	1.7	...
105	73	App Holo▲	96	...	...	...	...
39	27	Arlen	29	...	...	...	...
94½	80	Astec	87¾ #	+½	...	1.1	∞
271	242½	Azlan	253	+1	...	1.5	30.4
283	239	Beales Hunter	265	...	...	4.5	16.4
4½	2½	Bennett & Fount	2½ #	...	...	...	...
478	393	BICC	430	+2	...	5.8	30.5
535	470	Blick	496	...	...	2.6	18.3
1100	750	Borland▲	850	...	...	...	...
380	326	Bowthorpe	329 †	+3	...	2.6	18.1
486	386¾	BT	396½	+8	...	5.1	19.2
367	269	BT P/P	277½	+8	...	5.1	18.8
20	14½	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	15½	...	0.1	0.8	...
79	58	Burnfield	66 †	...	...	4.7	51.3
543	424	Cable Wireless	452	+8	...	2.1	23.6
35½	24	Chloride	33	...	...	...	...
276	268	CML Micro▲	271	...	4.7	2.2	19.7
182	105	Comptr People	178	...	1.5	1.1	∞
202	159½	Cray Elect	176	+2½	...	1.2	17.1
467	415	Critchley	418	...	...	1.4	24.1
560	482	Delta	526 †	...	...	3.4	23.4
683	486	Domnick El▲	603	+15	...	1.3	19.4
538	400	Domino	476	...	...	2.9	20.5
77	71	Dowding Mills	73 †	+1	...	4.3	24.5
1685	1220	Druck▲	1398	...	10.3	0.9	28.1
589	506	Electrocomponts	510	+3	...	2.1	28.7
199½	183	El Data Prc	185	...	...	1.2	15.8
175	133	Electron House	143	...	...	2.4	20.5
35	21	Emess	29½	-½	0.1	0.4	∞
405	355½	Eurotherm	395 ‡	+1	...	1.5	26.8
212	183	FKI	195	...	...	2.1	28.6
655	535	Farnell Elect	559	+2	...	1.5	29.6
73	63	Feedback▲	64	...	...	3.9	8.7
336	296	First Tech	296	...	...	0.8	24.6
282	215	Forward Gp▲	241	...	4.0	2.1	17.0
36	14½	Forward Tech	34½	-½	...	0.9	24.2
353½	288	GEC	316	+7	10.4	4.1	15.8
191	159	Graseby	160 †	...	...	5.2	∞
14½	11	Graystone	13¾	...	...	0.9	...
48	39	Hilsdure▲	43	...	0.5	1.5	...
193	149	Ind Control	156 †	...	...	3.7	13.9
388	333	Jones Stroud	333	...	...	3.4	13.4
141	99	Kalamazoo	119	+2	2.7	2.8	27.6
14	9½	Kenmbury	10	...	0.1	1.9	...
386	349	Kenwood App	365	+1	...	2.7	20.5
298	221	Kewill Sys▲	247	...	...	...	...
165	120	Kode	120 †	-5	...	6.2	17.2
35	19	Laser-Scan▲	27	...	...	...	...
148	95	Linad▲?	97	...	0.7	1.0	13.7
300	255	Lec Refrig	283	...	9.0	4.4	...
171	125	Life Sciences	132 †	+1	...	3.7	13.0
314	270	Logica	287 †	+6	...	1.8	33.1
52	47	LPA Inds▲	48	...	...	6.4	...
216	189	MR Data Mngmt	200 †	...	...	3.5	22.3
773	643	Macro 4	645 †	...	...	3.8	19.4
281	230	Memec-Swe	233	...	...	2.3	18.6
1138	918	Micro Focus	940	-3	...	...	9.0
179	145	Microgen	147	...	...	6.2	14.8
38½	31	Microvitec▲	33½	-½	...	...	...
559	489	Misys	501	...	...	1.9	18.3
494	222	Mitel					
179	143	MMT Comp▲	171	...	...	2.9	23.3
37	22½	Molynx	24	...	1.3	6.8	...
286	250	MTL Inst▲	286 †	+4	...	1.8	18.5
141	141	Multitone Elect	141 †	+4	3.5	3.1	25.6
148	128	Murray Ent	135	+1	...	1.0	...
2746½	2300	NYNEX	2300 †	-40¾	...	...	...
128	84	Neoronics	97	+4	...	3.4	16.9
55	33	Newmark (I)	35	...	...	...	...
371	279	Norbain▲	347	-3	...	0.5	26.7
65	47	Northamber	54	...	0.6	1.4	...
9½	7	Oceonics	7½	-½	...	...	...
358	296	Oxford Inst	298	-2	4.6	1.9	20.5
87	62	P & P	72 †	...	...	3.6	17.3
98	77½	Peek	84	...	...	5.2	14.0
235	195	Pegasus▲	195	...	...	3.3	21.1
£104½	9750	Philips Fn 4%	£100	...	...	5.8	...
1943½	1400	-do- Lmp nv	1943¾	+31¼	...	0.9	9.1
440	330	Phonelink▲	333	...	...	...	...
340	283	Pifco	335 †	...	...	1.6	28.1
330	283	-do- 'A' Voting	325 †	...	...	1.6	27.2
90	70	Plasmec▲	90	...	3.0	4.3	∞
121	100	Pressac	110 †	+½	...	2.9	23.3
261	181	Psion▲	248 †	+14½	2.8	1.4	∞
240	187	Racal Elect	225	+1	4.2	2.4	13.4
50	33	Radamec	40	...	...	4.7	8.6
39	27	Radius▲	31	...	0.4	1.8	∞
118	73	Real Time▲	96	...	...	3.9	19.7
577	507	Sage Gp	531	+2	...	2.3	16.3
350	310	Sanderson Elec	320	...	9.9	3.9	13.6
89	72	Scanronic	75	...	3.1	5.3	20.5
212	162	Scholes Grp	191 †	...	...	3.3	19.8
403	310	Sema Gp	394	...	...	1.0	23.6
270	250	Servomex	261 †	-½	6.4	3.1	∞
49	41	Silverlines	42	...	...	3.0	...
94	63	Soundtracks▲	76 †	...	...	3.9	19.1
3118½	2265½	TDK	3118½	+40½	...	1.0	35.5
19	11	TDS Circuits▲	12½	...	...	...	...
170	125	Telemetrix	126 †	...	1.0	1.0	∞
292	191	Telspec	265	...	...	1.2	33.3
1154	979	THORN EMI	1125	+24	...	3.6	26.1
196	133	Thorpe FW	185 †	+1	...	1.0	16.5
43	24	Total Systems▲	35	...	1.5	5.4	6.2
303	280	Tunstall	282	...	...	1.6	20.2
334	256	Unitech	319	+3	...	2.4	54.3
16	12	Verity	12½	...	...	...	...
31	22	Vistec▲	28½	+1	0.3	1.6	16.8
637	512	Vodafone	537	-8	...	1.8	23.3
483	444	Volex	463	...	18.1	4.9	19.0
26	20	Western Selectn	26	+1	0.2	1.2	∞
395	265	Wholesale Ftgs	324	...	11.7	4.5	34.4

ELECTRICITY

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
717	574	East Midlands	599	+9	...	4.3	10.6
735½	613½	Eastern Elect	648	+2	...	3.9	12.3
477	352	Hydro-Elect	398½	+2½	...	4.0	12.9
733½	565	London Elect	605	+5	...	4.4	11.4
850	697	Manweb	711	+1	...	3.9	8.9
767	600	Midlands Elec	624	+7	...	4.3	9.9
505	436	National Powr	439	+1	...	3.1	10.9
801	633	Northern Elec	674	+7	...	4.2	8.8
301	245	Nthn Ireland	260	+2	...	3.3	12.7
806	627	Norweb	663½	+4½	20.8	3.9	9.5
582	486	PowerGen	492	+3	...	2.8	12.9
486	379	Scottish Power	390	...	...	3.7	14.5
435	317	Seeboard	338	+6	...	3.8	10.6
825	667	Sth Wales	698	+4	...	4.2	10.6
743	619	Sth Western	642	+9	...	4.1	9.5
745½	615	Southern Elec	654	+3	...	4.1	8.4
729½	594	Yorkshire Elec	629	+8	...	4.2	11.0

FINANCE, LAND

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
57	51	Aitken Hume	56	-1	1.0	2.2	11.9
165	118	BWD▲	118 †	-1	4.0	4.2	18.4
118	96	Baltic Plc	98 †	...	...	1.9	10.9
215	199	Blotter Inv	205	...	...	...	...
757	623	Caledonia	620	+7	...	2.9	34.9
2500	1900	Camellia	2359¾	...	...	1.6	8.9
363	318	Candover	320 †	+7	...	4.3	...
465	367	Gowen	405	+1	...	4.7	8.3
250	188	Ivory Sime	217	+3	...	4.0	18.7
428	263	Johnson Fry	268	...	...	...	...
245	186	Lon Forfaiting▲	190 †	+4	...	6.1	11.9
87	77	Manakin	77	...	...	...	...
25¾	6¼	Nat Home Loan	15¼	...	...	...	0.3
58	53	Newmarket	57	...	...	...	...
365	308	Rathbone Brs	310	+1	7.5	3.1	∞
29	21¼	Ruland Tst	26 †	-½	...	4.2	∞
400	310	S & U	347	...	10.2	3.7	12.9
114	85	Singer & Fried	92	...	...	4.2	11.6
1260	1060	Sotheby's	1175	-40	...	1.4	...
198	131	S/P Capital	153	+3	3.0	2.5	63.1
224	205	Towry Law	212	...	...	2.7	20.8

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2300	1855¾	Amer Express	2037¼	...	...	...	...
229	184	Gartmore	193	+7	...	2.6	22.3
1208	963	Henderson Ad	963	...	...	5.5	22.2
251½	166	Invesco	178	+11	...	2.5	18.7
317	214¼	Jardine Strat	255¼	+11¼	...	3.3	∞
323	260	MAI	277 †	...	...	3.1	15.1
770	594	MAM	597	+3	16.0	3.4	14.9
1240	930	M & G	930	...	...	3.4	19.5
496	368	Smith New Ct	369	...	...	2.4	3.6
65	37	Trio Hldgs	40	...	...	7.8	12.9

FOODS

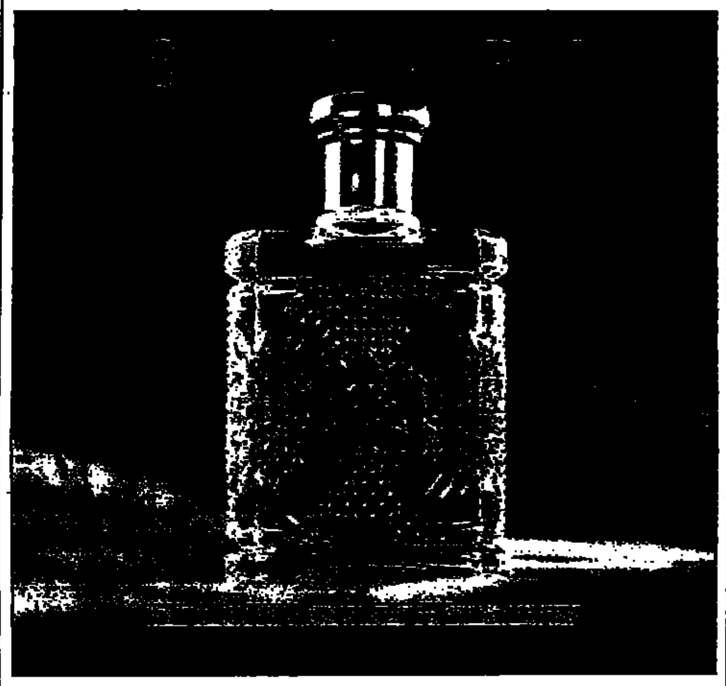
1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
607	541	AB Food	607	+9	...	3.1	12.6
66	54¼	ASDA Group	57¼	+½	1.6	3.6	...
368	319	Acatos & Hutch	321 †	...	...	3.1	11.8
75	57	Albert Fisher	68	...	...	7.4	14.0
305¾	240	Argyll	250	...	...	5.8	9.0
270	220	Banks (S C)	253	...	9.0	4.4	9.6
358	305	Barr (AG)	317	+2	6.5	2.6	∞
72	56	Bensons Crisp▲	58 †	...	2.8	6.1	∞
481	409	Booker	414 †	-7¼	...	6.6	∞
59¾	48	Borthwick	53	...	...	2.8	65.8
509	462	Brake Bros	462	...	6.8	1.9	∞
43	32	Budgen	34 †	...	...	4.8	10.3
545	462	Cadbury-Schw	480 †	+3	...	3.8	16.3
232	143	Carrs Milling	187	...	...	2.9	13.6
167	135	Cranswick	138	+3	...	7.2	13.0
17	13	Cullens	13	...	0.5	4.8	37.3
154	90	Dalepak	95	+4	...	6.6	27.7
543	440	Dalgety	449 †	+2	...	5.7	13.1
87	50	Daniels S	77 †	+½	...	0.5	∞
294	244¾	Devro	249 †	-½	...	2.8	∞
101	60	Everest	68 †	...	...	6.8	12.9
393	358	Farepak	391	...	5.9	1.9	24.1
8¼	6	Faringford	6	...	...	...	...
85	78	Finlay (James)	76	...	...	6.8	23.2
105	94	Fyffes	95 †	...	...	1.9	16.3
371	233	Geest	233	-3	8.1	4.4	∞
20¼	14	Global▲	15¼	...	0.5	4.1	∞
68	46	Grand Central	47	...	0.8	2.1	...
194	141	Hazlewood Fds	141	-2	...	5.8	7.9
196¾	159	Hillsdown	179	+2	...	6.4	13.3
211	147	Iceland Group	162 †	+½	...	2.9	10.3
111	100	JLI Group	106	+1	...	5.5	11.7
656	560	Kwik Save	613	-5	...	3.7	11.0
193	145	Low (Wm)	147	...	...	7.1	5.2
113	85	Matthews (B)	97 †	...	...	3.2	15.5
18	11½	Merchant Retail	12	...	0.9	9.9	24.6
128	99	Morrison (W)	124 †	-½	...	1.0	∞
246	226	Nichols (JN)	228 †	-1½	...	3.2	15.2
271½	209¾	Nthn Foods	226	+9	...	4.7	11.1
13	9	Nrthmbrn Fre▲	12	...	...	...	...
232	180	Nurdin Peack	209	-1	...	3.7	11.6
117¼	89½	Park Foods	115	+4	...	2.4	26.6
81	64	Perkins Food	69 †	+½	...	8.1	∞
141	111	PizzaExpress	122 †	+7	...	0.5	25.8
5¼	3¼	Regina Hlth▲	3½	-½	...	...	...
480	342	Sainsbury J	366	+4	...	3.5	12.8
96	73	Sentry Farm▲	88 †	-2½	2.2	3.2	∞
122	93	Sims Food	103	...	...	7.9	19.8
467½	395	Tate & Lyle	448	-1	...	3.6	12.0
254	210	Tesco	215	+3	...	4.2	9.8
198	162	Thorntons	184 †	...	...	2.6	...
229	145	Treats▲	217 †	...	...	2.3	17.7
434½	346	Unigate	394	+13	...	5.2	12.9
388	324	Utd Biscuits	350 †	+4	...	5.5	15.9
21	18	Usborne	19½	...	...	3.4	14.4
422	279	Watson & Phil	368	...	...	4.9	15.4
49	34	West Trust	39	...	...	8.7	...

HOTELS, CATERERS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
34	26	Abrdn Stk H▲	34	...	...	...	...
94	79	City Centre Rest	83	...	1.7	2.7	∞
285	235½	Forte	236	+½	...	4.0	18.5
207	174	Friendly Hotels	184	...	5.7	3.9	∞
168¼	144¼	Jurys Hotel	145	+½	...	4.4	11.7
217½	162¾	Ladbroke	190 †	+1	...	3.9	52.7
109¼	83	Mandarin Orntl	94½	-½	...	3.6	∞
31	18½	Ryan Hotels II	23	-½	...	5.4	...
1130	790	Savoy Hotel 'A'	1125	...	7.0	0.8	...
89¼	60¾	Stakis	82¼ ‡	+½	...	1.5	∞

INDUSTRIALS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
66	36	AAF Inds	48	...	...	22.9	2.9
544	439	AAH	463	...	...	4.9	14.8
185	140	AIM	172 †	...	...	5.5	21.1
138	116½	APV	125¾	+4½	...	5.3	∞
195	157	ASW	192 †	+3	...	3.9	∞
202	172	Adwest	186 †	...	...	4.9	20.0
20½	16½	Aerospace Eng	17	...	...	5.5	...
312	261	Airsprung	263	-1	...	2.2	16.8
216	192	Alexdra W	215	-1	5.6	3.5	∞
12	7¼	Allied Radio	10½ #	...	...	...	...
330	283	Alumasc	312 †	...	...	2.4	27.4
72½	39	Alvis	68	...	...	1.8	12.3
745	705	Amber Ind	705	...	...	3.4	16.1
68	45	Amberley Gp▲	46	...	1.0	2.7	...
81	73	Anagen	74	...	...	...	...
95	68	Andrews Sykes	92	...	...	4.1	...
1785	998	Antofagasta	1335	-2	...	1.6	∞
62	48	Armour	53½	...	...	3.9	12.5
175	168	Ash & Lacy	171 †	...	6.4	4.7	∞
6	3¼	Ass Br Eng	4½	...	...	1.3	62.1
625	474	Avon Rubber	588	+1	...	3.5	20.7
300	265	Assoc Nmngs	286	...	...	0.4	17.7
553	490	Adas Equip	538	...	22.0	5.3	∞
95	66	Ayrshire Metal	78	...	1.5	2.5	∞
224	192	BBA	214 †	+3	...	4.4	...
145	115	BLP Group▲	145 †	+6	1.0	0.9	∞
44	24¼	BM Gp	39½	+1½	...	...	...
745	627	BOC	713	...	...	4.1	28.0
86½	62	BSG	70¾	+½	3.2	5.7	∞
578	532	BSS Group	534	...	...	4.0	29.8
399	344	BTR	382 †	+9	...	4.0	20.1
176	140	BWI	168	+2	...	5.0	15.6
45½	29¾	Babcock	32½	...	...	4.2	19.5
11	7¼	Bailey (CH)	7½	...	...	...	...
270	228	Baird (Wm)	233	-1	8.9	4.9	∞
487½	368¾	Barlow	369½	-12½	...	8.9	6.7
81	64	Baynes (Charles)	72½	+½	...	2.8	19.8
25½	19½	Bearing Power	20½	-½	...	4.6	13.0
95	23	Beauford	28	+1	...	...	...
35	28	Bedford (W)▲	34	...	...	...	...
18½	13	Benson Group	13 †	...	...	2.9	9.8
393	300	Bespak	310	-5	10.2	4.1	9.7
91	66	Bibby (J)	73	...	...	3.4	...
226	200	Billam (J)	212 †	...	5.3	3.1	∞
32	26	Bilston Btrsea▲	28	...	...	...	...
10	3¼	Bimec Ind	6½	...	...	...	...
283	243	Birkby	271	...	3.7	1.7	14.1
44	30	Black Arrow	39	...	2.1	6.7	12.2
283	248	Black (Peter)	248 †	...	3.8	2.0	19.4
869	543	Bluebird Toys▲	228 †	+1	16.0	2.7	∞
329	262	Bodycote	309	...	...	2.1	19.8
40	35	Bogod 'A'	36	...	0.7	2.4	13.4
601	504	Boots	535	+7	...	3.2	21.1
60	43	Booth Inds	44	...	...	...	...
524	433	Bowater	455 †	+4	...	3.4	17.2
1647½	1456½	Bowater Inc	1468¾	-6¾	...	...	...
297	257	Boxmore Intl▲	277 ‡	...	4.0	1.8	∞
20	15	Braxway	16½	...	...	3.9	...
333	288	Brammer	313 †	+6½	13.0	5.2	∞
31	22	Bridgend Gp	24	...	0.4	...	...
163	120	Bridon	147	...	...	3.5	∞
82	74	Bridport-Gndry	75 †	-½	...	3.8	...
57½	45½	Brierley Inv	50 †	+½	...	6.7	12.4
235	190	Br Bldg & Eng	220 †	+5	...	4.5	18.6
134	94	Br Woodstock▲	95	...	...	...	...
515	435	Br Polythene	439	...	11.5	3.3	∞
147½	121½	Br Steel	145½	+1	...	1.3	...
176	120	Br Thornton	120	...	...	5.2	12.4
298	244	Br Vita	298 †	...	...	3.1	21.0
18½	13½	Brixton Grp	14 †	...	...	1.6	∞
931½	779½	Broken Hill	825	-6½	...	2.2	37.4
125	90	Bromsgrove Ind	107	...	...	5.1	13.9
18½	9¼	Brooke Tool	15	...	...	...	...
71	46	Brown & Tawse	53	+2	...	...	...
186	154	Bullough	154	...	...	4.9	67.4
16	11½	Business Tech▲	12	...	...	...	...
22	14	CI Group	14	...	0.5	5.1	13.4
54	35	Campbll & Arm	44½	-½	...	...	...
39	29¾	Cannon St	35	+1	...	...	...
488	408	Cantab Pharms	486	...	...	...	...
273	254	Cape	273	...	...	4.8	18.5
455	345	Caradon	347 †	-1	...	3.2	11.6
215½	171½	-do- pf	171½	-4½	7.2	5.3	...
293	252	Carclo Eng	255	+1	...	4.3	18.9
10	6¼	Care UK	7 †				
2449½	2089¾	Carnaud Mtl	2156¾	+43¾	...	2.2	∞
104	80	Cassidy Bros▲	87	...	...	3.4	21.1
251	220	Castings	249	...	4.6	2.3	17.4
66	42	Cathay Intl	42				
233	213	Celtech	219				
195	170	Chamberlin Hill	175	...	6.5	4.6	10.9
812	723	Charter	728	-10	...	3.8	11.2
360	305	Chemring	309	...	...	3.6	16.0
60	46	Chieftain Gp▲	53 †	...	...	8.3	10.6
47	38	Chillington	45	...	1.0	2.8	...
246	210	Christies Int	210 †	-2	...	1.2	∞
80	61	Claybithe	61	...	...	5.1	...
150	55	Clayton Son	127				
458	403	Cohen (A)	453	...	3.4	0.9	...
297	242	Community H	273½	...	...	3.3	15.6
283	211	Concentric	218	...	...	3.4	18.1
310	274	Cook (Wm)	277	...	6.0	2.7	16.8
285	233	Cookson	262 †	+1	...	3.0	∞
110	81	Copymore▲	90	-3	4.0	5.6	∞
167	147	Cornell Ptr 'A'	163 †	...	...	4.4	22.1
157	109	Cosalt	130	...	...	5.2	...
285	243	Creighton Nat▲	281	...	7.4	3.5	18.7
44	37	CrestaCare	38 †	...	0.7	2.5	∞
4125	3641½	Dana	4050	-25			
388	284	Danka Bs Sys	333	+1	...	0.6	31.6
296	244	David Brown	276	...	...	2.7	19.6
1021	848	De La Rue	939	+4	...	2.5	22.6
46	30½	Dinkie Heel	46	+6	1.4	3.9	∞
608	549	Diploma	555	+4	...	2.7	22.2
97	74	Dobson Park	79½	...	...	6.3	16.9
134	105	Dyson (J&J)	106	...	5.0	5.9	19.5
97	78	-do- 'A'	78	...	5.0	8.0	14.3
16	14	EFO	14				
442	373	EIS	435	...	...	3.5	17.2
25	15	Elbief	24	...	...	...	...
53	45	Eleco	48	...	...	...	...
3534½	2300	Electrolux 'B'	3381½	+99½	...	1.5	∞
91	69	Elliott (B)	80	+1	...	...	...
548	458	Eng China Cl	485 †	+4	...	5.2	28.3
146	125	Environmed	137	+6			
5190¾	2737¾	Ericsson 'B'	3119¾	+43¾	...	1.2	∞
86	60	Eurocopy	60	...	...	3.5	17.7
86	60	Expamet	82 †	...	...	3.8	58.1
778	669	Fairey Group	725	-1	11.8	2.1	∞
145	109	Fenner	138				
110	82	Ferraris Group	110	...	...	2.3	16.3
14	7	Ferrum	9½	...	1.4	18.4	6.6
78	58	Fife Indmar	63 †	...	...	5.5	9.3
148	113	Fisons	148	+5	...	3.7	...
60	41	Fitzwilton	46	...	...	9.5	...
288	263	Flogas	278	...	...	3.8	12.7
51	38	Folkes Group nv	48	...	1.5	3.9	27.2
126	94	French (Thomas)	119	...	...	3.8	25.5
264	220	Frost Group	235 †	-½	4.9	3.6	∞
87	77	GEI Intl	86	...	...	3.6	...
601½	510¾	GKN	585 ‡	+5	...	4.4	35.1
69	49	GR Hldgs	64 †	+½	...	3.5	...
134	91	Garton Eng	122	...	4.5	4.7	∞
191	139	Gestetner	151	+3	...	2.5	...
66	49	Gieves	59	...	...	...	42.7
725	590	Glaxo	598 †	-6	...	5.0	14.2
46	39½	Glenchewton	41				
404	352	Glynwed	357½	+2	...	4.2	25.6
191	125	Goode Durrant	166	-2	...	4.1	...
185	156	Grampian Hd	156 †	-½	5.5	4.4	∞
598	519	Granada	547	+4	...	2.0	21.6
487	452	Great Sthrn▲	478	...	12.2	3.2	∞
85	78	Green (Ernst)▲	79 †	...	...	11.1	14.5
15½	13½	Greenacre▲	14	...	...	3.0	∞
6	6	Guardian Grp▲	6 #				
84½	61	Haden MacLn	64 †	+2	...	4.0	∞
76	64	Halkin Hldgs	64	...	...	...	50.0
320	264	Hall Eng	266 †	...	...	4.5	15.2
256	219	Halma	227	...	...	1.2	28.4
71	47	Hampson Ind	62	...	1.7	3.4	20.5
302	260½	Hanson	263½	+1½	...	5.4	24.5
161	135	Harris (Philip)	135	-1	...	6.3	8.2
220	186	Harrisn Crsfld	196 †	+½	...	5.7	28.1
171	121	Havelock Euro	145				
48	36	Hay (Norman)	38	-2			
50	33	Headway	35	...	...	2.5	...
511	376	Hepworth	388 †	+10	14.8	4.8	∞
205	154	Hewitt (J)	171	...	3.2	2.4	∞
73	52	High-Point	57	...	0.5	1.1	...
184½	152	Hill & Smith	152	...	...	4.6	17.5
28	16	Hobson▲	27 #				
191	172	Holders Tech▲	184 †	...	6.0	4.1	∞
63	39	Hopkinsons	59	...	0.9	1.9	44.6
216	176	Hornby▲	189 †	-1	9.0	6.0	∞
103	78	Howden	94 †	-½	...	3.0	15.0
280	234	Hunslock?	239	+1	...	3.1	17.0
265	215	Hunting	229	-3	...	5.5	19.3
513	448	Huntlgh Tec▲	450	...	...	1.1	29.8
379	326	IMI	335 †	+3	...	3.7	28.1
138	119	ISA Intl	136	...	1.6	1.5	∞
165	125	Intercare Gp▲	128	+3	...	3.4	12.2
325	284	Isotron	310 †	...	4.4	1.8	17.4
710	409¾	Jardine Math	485½	+13½	...	3.1	∞
616	534	Johnson Math	607	-3	...	2.2	23.7
51	37	Johnson & FB	43	...	...	3.9	40.9
170	149	Johnston	161	+1	2.0	1.6	∞
32	26	Jones Shipman	26				
36	27½	Jourdan (T)	32	-2	1.0	4.0	∞
187½	149½	Kalon	179 †	...	...	2.9	18.1
220	230	Kelsey Ind	270	+8	...	3.7	...
805	730	Kershaw (A)	760	+10	...	4.4	39.1
276	215	Kleeneze	220	...	...	0.6	71.2
422	341	Laird	403	+15	...	3.4	18.7
170	145	Lilleshall	156 †	+3	...	3.6	17.0
229	205	Lincat▲	217 †	...	...	3.6	15.3
51	30½	Lincoln Hse▲	35	...	...	...	17.8
150	95	Linread	148	...	3.9	3.4	∞
355	313	Linton Park	338	...	...	5.2	12.2
14	10½	Lionheart	10½	...	...	3.6	23.4
20½	16½	Locker (T) A	16½	...	0.8	6.4	24.0
173	129	Lon Intl	130	...	6.2	6.0	...
175½	129	Lonrho	144½	-2	...	3.5	71.3
431	364	Low & Bonar	417 †	+3	...	3.0	∞
49	42	ML Hldgs	44	...	...	...	...



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67	55	MS Intl	57	...	...	5.5	34.9
70	45	MY Holdings	57 †	+1	...	3.3	14.9
271	223	Macfarlane	231	...	3.8	2.1	∞
539	448	McKechnie	522	-1	...	3.5	25.1
127	105	McLeod Russel	111	...	...	6.9	16.4
104	91	Magnolia	93	...	0.1	0.1	∞
163	129	Mang Bronze	144 †	...	...	3.0	16.2
26	19½	Marling	19½	-½	...	5.4	...
231	182	Mayborn▲	183	...	...	4.0	12.5
64	53	Mayflower	53 †	-1	...	3.2	∞
187	132	Medeva	143 †	+3	2.7	2.4	∞
120	99½	Meggitt	108½	-1	...	4.6	∞
132	116	Metalrax	125	...	4.0	4.1	∞
128	103	Metrotect	105	...	...	3.9	14.6
128	99	Metsec▲	128	...	2.0	2.0	∞
134	95	Midstates	103	-2	...	0.9	14.3
575	548	Molins	553 †	+3½	...	3.5	11.1
408	360	Morgan Crble	379	-2	...	4.2	19.9
217	176	Morris Ashby▲	213	-1	5.7	3.3	16.1
51	34	Neepsend	38	...	1.0	3.3	51.0
80	63	Nestor-BNA	70 †	-1	3.1	5.6	∞
249	214	Nobo Gp	228	...	5.3	2.9	22.5
212½	159	Norcros	167	+1	...	5.2	24.4
38	31	Novo Group	32	...	...	4.3	10.3
59	38	OEM	39				
64	48	OMI Intl	48	...	...	4.6	...
175	160	PCT▲	169	...	7.2	5.4	19.2
88	66	Pacer Systems▲	83 †	+2	...	5.3	30.0
43	31	Pascoe's	35				
123	84	Pentland	87	+2	...	4.7	39.8
310	225	Photo-Me	225	-5	4.7	2.6	13.5
204	177	Pilkington	190	-2	...	1.7	...
110	89	Plantsbrook	88 †	-½	3.4	4.8	∞
185	141	Polypipe	161 †	+1	...	1.7	20.6
25	16	Porter Chadbrn	23	...	...	2.2	10.5
341	270	Powerscreen	276	-1	...	3.1	14.4
23½	18	Prospect Inds	19½	+1½	...	5.1	11.3
77	56	RPS Group▲	63 †	+½	2.4	4.8	∞
108	82	Radiant Metal	100				
174	143	Ramco Oil▲	146	...	1.0	0.9	48.9
447½	377	Rank Org	408½	+14½	...	3.8	22.2
26	13	Ransomes	24				
723	595	Reckitt Colm	616 †	+4	...	3.6	∞
95	70	Record	83	...	...	5.6	18.1
5¼	3¼	Reece	4½	+½			
291	245	Relyon	257 †	...	5.2	2.5	∞
308	268	Renishaw	272 †	...	...	3.0	34.2
153	126	Renold	143	...	...	1.5	...
2159	1758	Reuters	1969 †	+42	...	1.7	27.4
88	74	Rexmore	80	...	2.0	3.2	...
201	163	Ricardo Group	164 †	-1	...	4.5	18.3
73	68	Richard (Leics)	68	...	3.7	6.8	...
104½	82½	Richardson West	88 ‡	+1	...	4.1	17.4
169	130	Ropner	169	+3	8.2	6.3	∞
160	126	-do- 'A'	160	...	8.2	6.6	∞
24	15	Rossi Gp	18½	+½	0.6	4.4	7.6
195	170	Rotork	177½ #	+1	...	3.0	∞
190	145	Rubicon	145	-2	...	3.7	18.3
75	62	Russell (A)	71 †	+½	...	3.1	∞
38½	34½	SEP Indl	34½	...	...	2.9	16.0
1340½	1087½	SKF 'B'	1334½	+71½	...	...	...
272	230½	Scapa	230½	-½	...	3.1	17.2
210	180	Scholl	182 †	-½	...	4.4	∞
291	242	Scotia	280	+6	...	...	...
1291	1140	Securicor	1213	-2	...	0.3	35.8
1036	844	-do- 'A'	853	-5	...	0.4	25.2
892	733	Security Serv	765	-5	...	0.9	29.1
150½	89½	Senior Eng	123 ‡	+1½	...	3.3	∞
335	312	Seton Health	319	...	...	2.4	18.8
155	138	Shiloh	148	...	3.0	2.6	16.0
349	300	Sidlaw	338	...	...	3.0	16.8
630	559	Siebe	623	+19	...	2.1	22.0
378	293	Silentnight	296	...	...	3.4	16.0
168	137	Sime Darby	149 †	+2½	...	3.2	16.5
139	80	Simon Eng	119½	+4½	...	...	...
244	186	Sinclair (Wm)	218	+1	...	4.0	17.6
53	38	Six Hundred	53	+2	...	3.5	...
159½	136½	Smith & Neph	140½	+3	...	4.5	15.2
443	387	SmithKline	370 †	...	...	3.7	14.4
407	329	SmithKline Uts	334 †	+2	...	4.1	13.0
527½	454	Smiths Ind	469	+3	...	3.2	18.8
104	75	Stm Bus	85	...	...	5.5	4.4
600	460	Spandex▲	600	...	...	1.5	∞
660	420	Spear (JW)	650	...	19.0	3.7	∞
411	337	Spirax-Sarco	410 †	+7½	...	3.0	19.9
81½	50½	Spring Ram	59¾ #	+½	...	1.1	∞
267	202	Staveley	202	-1	...	5.3	11.4
242	197	Sterling Ind	227	...	...	3.2	34.8
220	180	Suter	194 †	...	...	5.9	17.2
604	440¾	Swire Pack 'A'	499¾	+8¾	...	2.0	∞
4½	2¼	Sycamore	3¼	...	...	...	...
56	48	Sykes-Pick	48	...	3.0	8.0	9.2
178	168	Sylone	168	...	...	3.5	24.3
465	382	TI	408 †	-8	...	3.4	33.5
44	31	TLS Range▲	34	-1	0.5	1.9	∞
386	330	TT Group	373 †	+3	...	2.2	∞
282	230	Takare	255 †	+1	2.0	1.0	22.2
852½	686	Tabida Chem	817½	-1	...	0.8	15.5
61	36	Tex Hldgs	46	...	...	...	...
101	92	Tinsley (E)▲	92	...	...	7.6	15.9
220	217	Tiome▲	220	...	...	2.4	18.3
283	234	Tomkins	239	+1	...	3.5	17.6
124	93	Trafalgar H	106	+2	...	3.8	...
105	88	Transfer Tech	84 †	+10	3.3	4.0	∞
163	132	Triplex Lloyd	152	-1	...	6.6	15.9
318	272	UniChem	286 †	...	6.5	2.8	∞
440	365	Unilate	370	...	...	2.8	20.1
54	34	Unigroup	39	...	...	...	...
1247	1086	Unilever	1028 †	+7	25.0	3.0	∞
8118¾	7006¾	Unilever (NV)	7225	+209¾	...	2.9	∞
18½	12	Utd Inds	16½	+½	...	...	...
1093	958	VSEL	980	...	...	3.9	10.6
31½	14½	Verson	20	...	...	...	...
196	172	Vickers	174 †	-1	...	2.2	21.8
327	264	Victaulic	306 †	...	...	3.3	16.8
522	451	Vinten	499	+2	...	2.0	∞
805	661	Vosper Thorny	778	...	...	2.6	18.0
48	37	WSP Hldgs	47 †	+1	...	4.8	∞
525	451	Wagon Ind	501	...	...	4.4	22.1
5	1½	Wakebourne	3	...	...	...	16.4
114	97	Walker Greenbk	99	-1	3.1	3.9	25.3
304	254	Wassall	267 †	+1	...	1.6	23.1
53	44	Watford Wdgwd	53	...	...	...	∞
365	303	Weir	344 †	+9	...	2.4	∞
704	549	Wellcome	561 †	+4½	...	4.7	11.9
31	22	Wellman	31	+2½	0.9	3.6	50.6
400	319	West Hlthcare	340 †	...	...	1.4	21.9
548	455	Whatman	522 †	...	...	2.4	18.5
264	217	Whessoe	242	...	...	4.2	11.4
111	93	Whitecroft	105	...	...	...	...
13½	10¾	Widney	11	...	...	...	...
191	120	Wilkes (James)	174	...	...	1.1	∞
421	365	Williams Hldg	402	+7	...	4.0	22.9
53	39¾	Wilshaw	45	+½	...	1.5	28.4
975	830	Wolseley	904	+6	...	2.0	21.8
155	135	Wood (Arthur)	155 †	...	3.0	2.4	∞
53	40	Wyko	53	...	...	1.2	...
96	70	Young (H)	75	...	...	3.5	...

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1495½	1150	Alex & Alex	1150	-18½	...	5.8	...
2043¾	1725	Am Gen	1893¾	+12½	...	4.1	...
86	55	Archer	60	+1	...	2.1	...
165	133	Bradstock	142	+2	...	4.8	16.0
550	430	Britannic	451 †	-½	15.7	2.8	∞
117	99	CLM Insce	101	...	...	...	...
711	563	Com Union	593 †	+4	...	5.2	22.1
1950	1675	Dom & Gen	1915 †	...	...	1.6	25.3
64	45	FAI	45	...	...	1.1	...
194	172	Fenchurch Grp	175	...	...	5.1	15.6
757	602	Gen Accident	648 †	+12½	...	5.3	13.0
247	175	GRE	198 †	+7	...	4.8	3.7
457	371	Heath C E	380	+2	...	5.3	...
215	122	Hogg Gp	215	+4	5.6	3.3	∞
323	275	Independent Ins	275 †	-½	8.2	3.8	∞
203	174	JIB Group	194 †	+1	...	4.8	17.6
547	452	Legal & Gen	479 †	+6	...	5.2	16.7
1359¾	975	Liberty Life	984¾	-109¾	...	3.2	15.6
119	99	LIMIT	100½	+1	...	...	...
471	389	Lloyds Abbey	395 †	+1	...	5.7	12.7
310	269	Lloyd Thomp	286 †	-1½	7.1	3.1	17.8
443	372	Londn & Man	377	-2	...	5.3	17.9
472	428	Lowndes Lmb	428	...	14.0	4.1	15.4
5706¼	5337½	Marsh McLn	5575	-18¼	...	3.2	...
188	147	Nelson Hurst	175	-7	...	4.0	17.5
131	112	Orion	119	...	...	5.3	...
83	71	PWS	75	...	...	6.7	13.9
385	302	Prudential	330 †	+10	...	5.0	15.7
404	321	Refuge	349 †	...	...	4.1	25.7
350	258	Royal	280 †	+6	...	3.3	12.7
222	176	Sedgwick	208 †	...	...	3.6	23.4
155	105	Steel Burrill	142 †	...	...	7.9	∞
87	68	Sturge Hldgs	70	-1	...	5.4	59.4
418	314	Sun Alliance	351 †	+11	14.7	5.3	∞
96	81	Trade Indemnty	82	...	...	0.8	18.1
464	350	Transatlantic	381 †	-1	...	3.9	34.8
673	573	Utd Friendly	575 †	-7	16.5	3.6	∞
245	207	Willis Corroon	222	-3	...	3.7	19.7
28	21½	Windsor	26	...	...	...	20.4

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2098	1782	Alliance	1808 †	+9	...	3.2	...
479	428	Anglo & O'seas	442 †	+3	...	2.0	...
161	146½	BZW Conv	148 †	...	7.8	6.6	...
219	190	Bankers	195 †	+1	...	2.4	...
381	335	Baring Tribne	335	...	...	2.5	...
248	198	Berry Starq	236 †	...	2.2	1.2	∞
120½	98¾	Br Assets	103½	+1	...	5.2	...
98	90	Br Empire Sec	93	+½	...	1.2	...
46	31	-do- Wnts	37	+2	...	...	...
234	200	Br Inv	205	+3	4.6	2.8	...
272	240	Brunner	241	...	...	2.7	...
221	199	Contl Assets	200 †	+1	...	1.9	...
161	147	Derby Inc	153	...	...	12.9	...
325	278	-do- Cap	283	+5	...	...	...
100	90	Drayton Blue	93	...	8.4	11.3	...
111	84	-do- Eng Intl	100	...	1.0	1.2	...
156	128	-do- Far East	145½	+2½	...	0.6	...
177	132	-do- Korea	144	+3	0.5	0.5	...
784	686	Dunedin Inc G	698 †	+2	...	4.7	...
108	85	-do- Japan	104½	...	...	...	...
80	45	-do- Warrants	70	...	...	...	...
827	759	-do- Wwide	780	+3	...	1.5	...
341	301	Dundee & Lon	313	...	...	3.6	...
360	303	Edinburgh	313	+2	8.5	3.4	...
354	299	Electra Inv	306	+1	...	2.9	...
220	193	Electric Gen	201	+1	3.1	3.0	...
127	116	English Scot	117	...	...	...	...
345	316	European Asset	317 †	...	...	1.7	∞
172	146	Finsbury 'A'	157	...	3.0	2.4	...
343	302	Fleming Amer	307½	...	...	0.6	...
145	93	Fleming Chinese	101	+1	...	...	...
92	54	-do- Warrants	57	+1	...	...	...
267	220	-do- Claver	223 †	+1½	...	3.1	...
385	334	-do- Contl	335	+4	2.7	1.0	...
264	223	-do- Entp	230	...	...	1.6	...
459	327	-do- F East	349	+5	1.1	0.4	...
422	365	-do- Fledg	391 †	...	...	1.0	...
120	102	-do- Hi Inc	104	...	...	5.3	...
273	223	-do- Japan	268	...	...	0.2	...
347	294	-do- Merc	301 †	+1	6.7	2.8	∞
347½	295	-do- Oseas	300½	+½	4.2	1.7	...
311	268	Foreign & Col	277 †	+2	...	1.6	...
148	105½	-do- Emg Mkts	119	+1½	0.2	0.3	...
77	67½	-do- Enterprise	68¾	+½	0.6	1.1	∞
299	236¼	-do- Eurotst	247	+3	...	0.6	...
145	121	-do- German	130½	+½	0.5	0.5	...
374	316	-do- Pacific	340	+5	...	0.8	...
192	174	-do- Smaller	184	...	1.8	1.3	...
303	247	GT Japan	289	-2	...	0.5	...
200	175	Genl Cons Cap	192	...	...	...	...
115	105	-do- Inc	108	...	...	10.1	...
191	169	Govett Am Smlr	173	...	...	...	...
151	101	-do- Emg Mkts	113	+3	...	...	...
112	91	Govett High Inc	92	...	...	7.0	...
420	350	-do- Oriental	366	+4	0.9	0.3	...
346	270	-do- Strategy	284	-1	...	3.0	...
475	423	Greenfriar	465	...	...	1.8	...
19	19	Gresham House	19	...	...	...	...
105	94	Herald	104	...	...	...	...
158	135	Inv Cap	136	+½	...	4.7	...
119	105	IAS UK Smllr	104	...	2.8	3.4	...
243	205	Kleinwort Chrt	212	+2	...	3.0	...
272½	238	-do- O'seas	247 †	+1	...	1.7	...
165	138	-do- Smlr	155 †	...	3.5	2.8	∞
826	714	Law Debenture	723 †	-1	...	3.3	...
227	209	Majedie	209	...	...	3.0	...
324	270	Merchants	275 †	+½	11.0	5.0	∞
495	456	Mercury Euro Pv	456	-1	...	...	...
125	105	-do- World Mng	109	...	...	...	...
52½	36	-do- World Wts	37	...	...	...	...
2987½	2431¼	Merrill Lynch	2562½	-37½	...	...	...
595	519	Monks Inv Tst	536	+1	...	1.6	...
158	142	Murray Green Inc	146	+1	...	3.9	...
64	46	Do Warrants	51½	+½	...	...	...
93	87	Do Latin Amer	91½	+1½	...	...	...
46	33	Do Warrants	46	+2	...	...	...
148	128	Murray Ent	135	+1	...	1.9	...
£290	£245	-do- Pf 1994	£250	...	...	...	...
58	38	-do- Warrants	38	...	...	...	...
68	58½	Murray Euro	61 †	-½	0.2	0.6	∞
23½	16½	Do Wts	16½	-1	...	...	...
393	348	Murray Income	359 †	+2	11.3	3.9	∞
395	339	-do- Intl	351 †	+4	...	4.1	...
548	437	-do- Small	440	+2	...	1.2	...
97	82	-do- S.C Inc	85	...	...	15.6	...
174	138	-do- S/C Cap	146	+2	...	...	...
3420	3150	-do- S/C Uts	3325	...	...	4.0	...
160	153	-do- S/C DF	153	...	...	...	...
363	324	-do- Vent	320 †	+2½	...	4.2	...
95	78	Nthrdg Inc	79 †	...	6.7	10.7	...
404	359	Oseas Inv Tst	369	+1	...	1.1	...
241	193	Do Warrants	198	...	...	...	...
640½	433	Pacific Assets	454 †	+9	...	0.3	...
542	325	Do Warrants	355	+6	...	...	...
9400	8675	Personal Assets	9050 †	+100	180	2.0	...
189	170	RIT Cap Pmr	174	+1	1.1	0.6	...
125	114	River & Merc	116	...	...	9.9	∞
449	425	Robeco	449	...	...	2.8	...
463	433	Rolinco	448	...	...	1.7	...
343	290	St Andrew Inv	377 †	...	...	2.6	...
183	162	Scot American	167	...	...	3.5	...
368	256	Scot Asian	266	+3	...	...	...
1070	753	do Warrants	758	...	...	...	...
97½	82½	-do- Eastern	85 †	+1½	1.5	2.3	∞
263½	221	Scottish	230½	+3½	...	2.2	...
254½	217	-do- Mrge	226	+1	4.0	2.2	...
133½	116½	-do- Value	123¾	+½	...	1.8	...
1795	1585	Second Allnce	1585	...	...	3.1	...
106	92	Secs Tst of Scot	95	+1	3.2	4.3	...
170	166	Selective Asset	168	+2	...	1.1	...
51½	43½	Sphere Inv	47	...	...	9.1	...
225	149	TR Far East	159	+2	...	4.1	...
177½	145	TR City Of Lon	151 †	+½	...	4.0	...
249	172	TR Pacific	180 †	+3	...	0.2	...
45	34½	TR Property	35½	+½	0.9	3.1	...
152	127	TR Tech Inv	138½	+½	1.7	1.6	...
325	297	TR Smlr Cos	302	+1	...	2.4	...
412	349	Temple Bar	359	+2	...	4.7	...
135	105	Thrgtn Asian E	109	...	0.5	0.6	∞
101	79	Throgmorton	84	+2	...	3.4	...
553	468	Thmp Dual Cp	475	+5	...	...	...
260	245	USDC Invest	249 †	+3	...	2.3	...
129	114	Value Inc Tst	114	...	4.0	4.4	...
257½	226	Witan	231	+2	...	3.1	...

LEISURE

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
598½	472	Airtours	470	+1	...	2.3	16.4
46½	26	Ald Leis	29	...	...	12.9	9.5
177	163	Alpha Airprs	168	+1	...	3.0	∞
669	429	Anglia TV	645	+1	...	1.8	29.9
171	85	Baldwin	98	...	...	4.5	12.9
333	267	Barr & W 'A'	305	...	10.0	4.1	19.7
1620	1155	Boosey Hwks	1263	...	22.0	2.2	18.9
205	133	Border TV▲	147	...	3.6	3.1	12.0
6¼	4¼	Brent Walker	4½	+½	...	...	...
148	100	Bristol Scots	130	...	...	...	...
7¼	5¼	Buckingham Int	5½	...	...	...	...
74	44	Campari	46	...	8.7	23.8	...
430	358	Capital Radio	429	...	...	1.7	37.8
1047	520	Carlton Comm	908	-17	...	2.6	20.8
307	248	Castle Comm▲	282 †	...	...	4.0	17.8
3130	2910	Central TV	2925	...	39.0	1.7	31.9
165	114	Chrysalis	161	...	3.2	2.5	...
374	339½	Compass Gp	363	+3	...	2.2	20.2
295	232	Eurocamp	257 †	...	9.7	4.7	10.6
457½	346	Euro Disney	377	+18½	...	3.1	...
4	2¼	Euro Leisure	3¼	-½	...	...	...
419	308	Fairline Boats	335	...	...	3.0	31.5
380	281	First Leisure	310	...	...	2.6	21.0
478	340	Flextech▲	340	...	0.5	0.2	...
1033	675	GWR Gp▲	880	+5	...	1.3	31.9
303	228	Grampian	258	...	0.5	3.1	17.9
22	15	Greenwich Com▲	16	...	...	...	...
161	106	HTV Group	132½	...	1.0	1.0	∞
96	62	Hi-Tec Sports	73	-3	...	3.9	...
18½	11½	Kunick	13½	...	...	...	...
752	605	LWT Hldgs	718	+1	...	0.9	33.2
702	539	Man Utd	673 †	+4½	...	3.7	22.2
51	34	Northern	43	...	...	...	8.3
130	81	Owners Abrd	115 †	+1	...	3.8	...
89	70	The Pelican Gp	86	...	1.1	1.6	20.2
183	173	Prism Leisure▲	173	...	3.5	2.5	16.1
43	34	Quadrant Grp	37	...	...	...	...
234	205	Ramsdens (H)	229 †	+7	...	2.5	31.0
628	395	Scot Radio▲	520	+2	...	2.3	23.2
574	449	Scot TV	504	-5	10.3	2.6	24.8
40½	28½	SelectTV▲	29	+½	...	...	...
118	65	Southern Radio	116	...	...	1.3	51.4
350	296½	Stanley Leisure	323	...	...	2.0	26.1
153	125	Sunset & Vine	131 †	+½	3.5	3.3	20.0
345½	280	Tanjong	280	...	...	1.1	∞
2½	1½	Ticketing▲	2	...	...	...	...
99	75	Tottenham Hot	80	...	...	3.1	30.6
182	85	Trans World▲	155 †	...	1.3	1.0	56.5
760	518	Ulster TV	624 †	+1½	15.0	3.0	∞
149	112	Vardon	141 †	-1	1.1	1.0	∞
375	150	Yorkshire TV	294	-15	...	1.4	...
126	110	Zeners Gp	125	...	8.0	8.0	14.1

MINING

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
3675	2909¾	Ang Am	2909¾	-209¼	...	2.8	21.3
2150½	1762½	Ang Am Coal	1793¾	-218½	...	5.2	9.3
6518¼	4669¾	Ang Am Gold	4665¼	-609½	...	4.8	20.9
36	29	Anglo Pac Res▲	33	...	...	...	...
404	298	Bakyrchik	306	...	...	...	...
184	90½	Blyvoors	90½	-10	...	...	...
37	26½	Bracken	30½	...	...	29.0	5.4
898	602½	Buffels	602½	-20½	...	10.8	5.4
6	2½	Butte	3	...	...	...	...
930½	787½	CRA	830½	-2	...	2.5	26.6
55½	36	Cluff Res	47	...	...	...	...
1750	1318¾	De Beers	1318¾	-131¼	...	4.2	∞
148	91½	Deelkraal	91½	-3½	...	2.2	6.7
74	33¾	Doornfontein	34	-3½	...	...	...
914	665¾	Driefontein	665¼	-46¼	...	5.0	11.0
776¼	549½	Durban	602½	-33¼	...	...	...
170	112	E Rand Gold	114	-13½	...	9.6	3.5
122½	72	E Rand Prop	72	-8½	...	...	...
449	330½	Elandsrand	330½	-12½	...	5.9	∞
1239	784½	FS Cons	784½	-59	...	8.2	10.1
57	34	FS Dev	34	...	...	...	...
1800	1193¾	GFSA	1193¾	-149¼	...	3.3	20.1
152½	108½	Gencor	108½	-13½	...	6.1	12.1
80½	59½	GM Kalgoorli	68½	-½	...	2.0	28.0
18½	14	Greenwich R 'A'	15	...	...	...	...
202	105½	Grootvlei	115½	-6¼	...	8.6	7.3
416	352½	Harmony	352½	-6½	...	...	...
430	278½	Hartebst	278½	-16½	...	10.3	6.9
21½	14½	Inco▲	14½	...	...	...	11.9
1028½	831½	Impala Plat	934½	-34½	...	3.0	30.5
16½	9½	Kenmare Res▲	13½	...	...	...	...
1315¼	900	Kinross	900	-93½	...	6.9	10.0
898½	576½	Kloof	576½	-37½	...	4.2	6.8
137	73½	Leslie	73½	-13½	...	15.4	3.9
333	187½	Loraine	190	-6½	...	...	...
1125	887½	Lydenburg	1062½	...	...	...	...
159½	118	MIM	146½	+1	...	1.6	63.8
1556	1260	Minorco	1335 †	-21	...	2.9	16.0
201½	154	Nth Bkn Hill	167½	-½	...	3.0	25.8
4587½	2146½	Orange Free	2162½	...	...	5.9	12.8
899	790	RTZ	868 †	+2	...	3.0	26.6
268½	187½	Rand Mines	268½	...	...	4.2	10.2
801½	554	Randfontein	630½	+½	...	6.5	6.4
295	215	Renison	237	+4	...	1.9	24.5
1345½	1106½	Rustnbrg	1137½	-53½	...	2.8	26.0
756	571½	St Helena	581	-29½	...	7.3	12.2
2887½	1484½	Southvaal	1721½	-237½	...	5.4	18.7
160	73	Stilfontein	86½	-6½	...	23.8	16.2
160	90½	Unisel	90½	-10	...	4.9	8.6
7600	5121½	Vaal Reefs	5121½	-521½	...	5.3	7.9
813	558	Welkom	559½	+½	...	6.0	12.5
624½	509½	Western Areas	526	-27½	...	5.0	3.7
3362½	2303¾	Western Deep	2306¾	-134½	...	4.8	7.7
398	314½	Wstrn Mining	333	-8	...	1.6	...
1225	637½	Winkels	637½	-50	...	7.3	6.1
66	50	Zambia Copper	57	...	...	...	...
68	49	Zandpan	49	...	...	9.5	16.2

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
273	233	Abbey Panels	273	...	...	...	...
115	110	Airflow Stream	115	...	3.0	3.3	11.1
175	134	Appleyard	134 †	-1	5.5	5.1	∞
405	330	Bletchley Mtr	363	...	...	3.4	∞
231	180	Bostrom	221	...	6.0	3.4	39.1
584	390	Br Aerospace	489 †	+7	...	2.1	43.0
55	45	Burndene	55	+1	...	4.0	14.8
466	400	Caffyns	405	+2	11.5	3.5	21.4
22	13½	Coverdale	16¾	...	0.1	1.2	∞
130	110	Central Mtr▲	111	...	...	4.5	27.4
43	32½	Cook (DC)▲	35	+2	0.9	3.2	19.9
348	281	Cowie (T)	295 †	+1½	...	3.3	16.4
192½	127	Dag Motors	170 ‡	-1	...	4.7	∞
157	123	Davnport Vern	123	-2	...	4.3	12.2
332	275	ERF	321	...	2.0	0.8	...
173	135	European Mtr	145	...	...	3.2	20.4
552	408	Evans Halshaw	520 †	-1	13.0	3.1	∞
308	235	FR Group	265	-11	...	3.4	12.3
4718½	3943¼	Ford Motor	3956¼	-158¼	...	...	...
4387½	3693¾	General Mtr	3912½	-156¾	...	1.4	...
90	60	Gowrings	76	...	2.0	3.3	∞
342½	266¼	Henlys	284 ‡	-1	...	3.3	∞
1149½	918½	Honda Motor	1139½	+40½	...	0.8	...
48	35	Jacks (Wm)	41	...	...	...	...
116	80	Jessups	98	+8	4.5	5.9	...
184	156½	Kwik-Fit	169 †	+½	...	2.8	19.4
573	445	Lex Service	510 †	-1	...	3.1	∞
276	162	Lookers	239 †	-6	...	3.4	23.3
239	189	Lucas	199 †	+5	...	4.4	...
29½	25	Malaya Grp	25½	-½	...	...	...
310	261	Pendragon	277 †	...	...	3.2	19.7
238	175	Perry Gp	223	+1	7.0	4.0	∞
218	156	Quicks Group	171 †	...	...	3.7	∞
194	161	Rolls-Royce	184½	+2	...	3.4	40.6
249	203	T & N	230	+1	...	3.9	...
300	263	Trinity Hldgs	278	+1	...	2.5	26.0
221	163	Vardy (Reg)	196 †	...	...	2.7	23.1
338	253	Westland	334	+1	...	1.7	21.4

NEWS, PUBLISHERS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
355	198	Adscene	275	...	5.7	2.6	28.2
336	335	Black (A&C)	335	...	13.5	5.0	13.7
402	308	Blenheim Gp	370	+1	10.2	3.5	∞
413	365	Bristol	403	...	...	3.7	36.4
1650	1100	Daily Mail	1468½	...	...	1.3	34.4
1484½	1109¾	Daily Mail 'A'	1246½	...	...	1.5	29.2
290	260	Dorling Kind	284 †	+1	...	1.6	23.9
6712½	5853¼	Elsevier	6081½	+225	...	3.1	∞
476	410	EMAP	424	+4	...	2.4	26.1
1635	1450	Euromoney Pb	1635	+5	...	2.9	28.8
194	154	Hartington K	160	...	4.9	3.9	∞
515	328	Haynes Pub	448 †	...	...	2.0	25.3
408	340	Hodder H'line	401 †	+½	5.0	1.6	∞
180	120	Home Counts	135 †	+2½	4.5	4.2	∞
308	161	Intl Bus Comm	205 †	+3	...	1.2	1.3
15	10½	Inv Cm & Data▲	12	...	...	...	...
510	410	Independent	500 †	-5	...	2.8	17.2
669	551	Johnstne Press	662 †	-½	7.0	1.3	∞
398	338	Metal Bulletn	388 †	+3	...	3.2	22.5
203	166	Mirror Gp	172	+1	...	...	12.5
514¾	424¾	News Corp	446¾	-1½	...	0.2	...
314	264	News Intl	269 †	...	...	0.6	16.5
735	603	Pearson	633 †	+7	...	2.6	24.4
760	670	Portsmth Sund	754	...	...	1.6	20.8
984	823	Reed Int	853	+18	...	2.8	25.4
249	187	Southnews	242	...	2.3	1.2	44.7
300	160	Sterling Pubs	187 †	...	...	2.1	22.8
610	487	Telegraph	605 †	+1	...	2.7	19.7
885	785	Thomson Corp	835	+10	30.1	4.5	41.7
472	436	Trinity Intl	441 †	...	...	2.7	21.8
35	21	Unit Group▲	30	...	...	...	...
731	623	Utd Newspaper	651 †	+9	...	4.2	17.5

OILS, GAS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
31½	24½	Aran Energy	25½	...	...	...	34.6
48	35	Arcon Intl▲	39	+1	...	...	...
74½	59	Ass Oil & Gas	67½	-½	...	...	...
67	50	Aviva Pet	53	...	...	...	...
9	7	Beverley	7	...	...	...	69.6
233	200	Br Borneo	225 †	+1	7.1	3.9	∞
358	293½	British Gas	295	+½	...	6.3	...
406½	340	Br Petroleum	374 †	+1	...	2.8	31.3
3½	1½	Bula Resources	2½	+½	...	...	...
875	811	Burmah Castl	826	+11	...	4.2	16.9
64	56	Cairn Energy	61	...	...	...	8.7
375	315	Calor Gp	330	...	...	5.0	26.1
51	33½	Clyde Pet	34	...	...	...	...
30	19½	Copley Res	21½	+1½	...	...	...
27½	17	Edin Oil & Gs▲	23½	...	...	...	25.4
498	398	Enterprise	447 †	+8	...	4.5	27.8
80	38	Exp Co Louis	68	...	...	...	...
26½	21	Fairmawn Intl	23	...	...	5.4	...
8¼	4½	Fortune	5¼	...	...	...	...
68	54	Goal Pet	65 †	...	1.4	2.7	12.4
41	31	Gt Western Res	37	...	...	...	...
177	149½	Hardy O & G	152	-1	...	0.8	14.1
55	40	Kelt Energy	45	...	...	...	...
136	115	LASMO	129	...	...	1.3	...
73	54	-do- Units	54 †	...	9.4	21.9	
9¼	2	Mid Scot Res▲	4				
64½	55	Monument	63	+½			
7¼	4¼	New London	4½				
50	36	Oil Search	47	+1			
50¾	17½	Petrel	34	-½			
183	153	Pict Pet	156				
28	21½	Premier	27½	...	...	...	8.5
158	118	Presidio	128	...	...	5.2	...
433	325	Ranger	415	-15	...	3.9	...
7780	6681¼	Royal Dtch Fl	7240½	+146½	...	4.1	20.2
4099¾	3629¾	Schlumberger	3987¾	+3½	...	2.2	...
58	54	Seafield	55				
749	651	Shell	711 †	+15	...	4.2	
187	133	Sunrise Eng Sv	133				
18	14½	Villiers Grp	15				
229½	176½	Woodside	210	+½	...	1.7	...

PAPER, PRINT, ADVTG

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
184	162	AG Holdings	162	...	...	4.1	14.7
444	392	API	398	...	...	3.7	24.4
302	237	Arjo Wiggins	292 †	+2	...	2.9	
730	540	Abbott Mead	691	...	10.5	2.0	∞
28½	17½	Aegis Gp	23	-½	...	...	...
205	145	Aspen Comms▲	175	-2	4.9	3.5	∞
472	414	Bemrose	429 †	-1½	11.7	3.4	∞
13½	8½	Birkdale	10	...	...	...	...
184	145	Bunzl	181 †	...	...	2.9	22.3
430	392	CIA Gp	380 †	...	8.1	1.7	∞
170	129	Capital Inds	145 †	...	...	...	∞
93	80	City of Lon▲	80	...	...	2.0	14.9
430	304	Cropper (James)	412	...	1.2	1.0	24.4
114	88	Delyn Group	110	...	1.6	1.9	14.5
137	104	Dolphin Pack	124	...	4.5	4.5	28.6
83	76	Dudley Jenkins▲	80	...	...	4.9	17.5
15½	12½	Elswick	13	...	...	2.9	14.5
101	75	Fairway Group▲	96 †	...	...	4.4	19.0
430	303	Ferguson Intl	397	+1	...	3.4	13.9
145	135	Ferry Pick	145 †	...	...	4.5	...
227	188	Findlay▲	213	...	...	0.5	27.5
17½	8	Fitch	10½				
149	140	Gibbon Lyons▲	142	...	5.2	4.6	14.0
274	171	Gold Greenless	175	...	5.4	0.6	...
34	23	Goodhead	32	...	...	1.2	...
30	15	Hunterprint	29				
162	130	Interrurope	135 †	+5	...	3.2	14.4
290	273	Jarvis Porter	282	...	...	2.1	25.2
33½	22	Lopex	29½	-½			
36½	29½	MDA	29½				
431	387	More O'Ferrall	382 †	-3	11.2	4.3	∞
146	120	NMC Group	120	...	2.7	2.9	15.5
300	231	Osborne & Little	268	-2	...	2.4	24.4
60	32	Osprey Comms	44	+1	...	0.2	...
651	513	Portals	651	+1	...	3.1	...
3	2	Premier Hlth	2½				
319	286	Quarto	311 †	+4	6.0	2.4	...
400	332	St Ives Gp	409	+5	...	...	27.0
198	128	Saatchi	130	+1	...	...	25.6
631½	464½	Sappi	486½	-43½	...	7.1	5.9
30½	18	Seril	26½				
60½	22	Shandwick	54½				
520	498	Smith David	514	+1	...	2.4	...
361	296	Smurfit (Jeff)	317	+3	...	1.7	7.6
119	103	Somic	112	...	2.5	2.9	45.9
254	210	Stat-Plus	236 †	+½	8.8	4.7	∞
31	25½	Taylor Nelson	27½	...	0.4	2.1	∞
151	125	VTR▲	136	...	...	1.4	27.6
159	80	WPP	118	+1	...	1.1	17.0
264	182	Wace	240	...	...	1.3	∞
300	244	Waddington (J)	251	...	...	4.8	29.2
511	409	Watmough	472 †	...	...	1.7	20.9
5	3	Westport▲	3½				
44	29	Whitney Mck▲	30				
105	98	Wyndeham	104	...	...	1.6	22.1

PROPERTY

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
130	106	Allied Lon	111½	+4½	...	4.1	14.8
48	37	Arcadian	41				
10¼	6	Ascot Hldgs	7½				
144	109	Asda Prop	112	+1	...	2.4	11.5
191	146	Avonside	150 †	-1½	...	3.5	∞
2575	2328¾	BCE▲	2440¾	-35	...	...	...
766	590	Bilton	590	-30	19.3	4.2	∞
108	72	Bourne End	100	...	...	1.3	∞
271½	213	Bradford	235	+2	5.9	3.1	23.9
22½	12½	Bredero	17				
474	391	Br Land	407¾	+3½	...	2.2	36.8
276	208	Brixton	228	+6	...	4.6	18.1
118	90½	Burford	100 ‡	+2	...	1.8	32.2
207½	125½	Cap & Regnl▲	180	...	...	1.0	...
315	230	Cardiff Prop	300	...	...	1.0	67.1
185	152	Chelsfield	160	+1	...	1.9	...
678	584	Chesterfield	600	...	11.5	2.4	42.4
84	36	City Site Ests	65	-1			
34	22	Clarke Nickolls	25	+2½	...	...	52.2
285	285	Compco	285	...	12.9	6.0	61.8
56	38	Conrad Rbin GS	38 †				
1755	1458	Daejan	1608	+3	...	2.1	19.9
25½	5	Dares Estates	16	+½			
156	123	Debenhm Twsn	123	...	...	3.4	23.4
17	10	De Morgan	14				
189	173	Dencora	173	...	3.0	2.3	...
723	608	Derwent Hldgs	608 †	-4	9.1	1.9	∞
41	31½	Development Sec	31½				
65	53	Dwyer	56				
460	370	Estates Agency	460	...	...	2.1	54.7
47	18	Estates Gen	33				
132	100	Evans Of Leeds	106	+4	...	2.8	18.7
43½	34½	Ex-Lands	34½	...	...	1.3	...
37	30½	Five Oaks	30½				
78	66	Fletcher King	74	...	1.0	1.7	49.0
536	440	Frogmore	464 †	+8½	...	4.4	20.4
325	228	Grainger	278	...	...	2.4	49.7
260	198	Gr Portland	218	+6	...	4.6	20.9
22½	16½	Greycoat	18½				
269	177½	HK Land	206½	+11½	...	4.2	∞
94	65	Hambro Cntyw	65	...	0.7	1.4	∞
435	347	Hammerson	376 †	+21½	...	3.3	43.1
378	298	Helical Bar	332	...	...	1.8	11.9
40½	33½	Hemingway	34				
78	59	Herring Baker	61	...	3.7	7.7	15.3
315	138	Jermyn	245				
792	621	Land Sec	657	+22	23.1	4.4	19.6
122	96	Lon Merch Sec	101	+1	4.0	5.0	15.7
16	9	Lon & Metro	15				
562	441½	MEPC	494	+10	...	5.1	28.4
13½	6½	McInerney A	10½				
190	164	McKay Secs	174	...	3.5	2.5	23.9
81	71	Merivale Mre	71				
55	39	Moorfield Est	39	-1	...	3.3	∞
1425	1265½	Mountview	1278½	+3½	22.0	2.2	13.4
196	162	Mucklow (A&J)	163	...	...	4.8	23.2
64	44	Oliver Prop	44 †				
2½	1½	ORB	1½				
191	149	PSIT	149	-2	4.3	3.7	29.5
399	325	Peel	337	...	4.3	1.6	...
12½	6½	Power Corp	7	-½			
50	30	Property Trust	31	...	...	...	8.8
54	40	Raglan	42	-1			
40	30	Regalian	33½	+1			
175	140	Rowlinson Secs	165	...	1.5	1.1	20.6
64	48	St Modwen Prp	51 †	...	...	2.5	21.4
78	59	Saville Grdn (J)	64	...	...	5.3	31.9
100	80	Savills	90	...	...	2.4	35.6
108	85	Scot Met	92	+4	...	2.2	...
136	115	Shaftesbury	117	+1			
17½	11½	Shield	16	...	...	...	8.4
307	244	Slough Estates	260 †	+10	8.1	3.9	∞
103	73	Southend Prop	74	...	...	4.1	...
50	25	Stanhope Prps▲	35				
35	35	TBI	37				
244	224	Tops Ests	227	...	2.1	1.2	...
163	132	Town Centre	139	...	...	3.2	24.7
107	91	Trafford Park	99 †	+1½	...	3.7	32.8
58	31	UK Land	38				
10½	8½	Union Square	9				
317	243	Warner	265	+1	...	5.2	23.5
249	218	Warnford	248 †	...	7.5	3.8	18.2
7½	2¼	Waterglade	3				
104	76	Wates	77				
105	82	Wood John D▲	95	...	...	1.0	...

SHOES, LEATHER

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
45	31	Automagic▲	39				
231	200	Headlam	214 †	-9½	...	1.9	∞
405	315	Lambert	315 †	-½	13.7	5.5	∞
75	53	Pittards	70 †	+11	...	1.8	...
26	21	Strong & Fisher	23 †	...	...	5.4	15.7
250	227	Stylo	244	-1	...	2.1	∞
67	57	UK Safety	59 †	...	2.6	5.5	∞

TEXTILES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
617	514	Allied Text	599	+4	...	2.9	19.3
71	56	Beckman (A)	58	+1	...	7.9	12.2
47	26	Bolton Gp	39				
226	183	Br Mohair	196 †	...	...	5.4	20.0
68	38	Charnwell▲	51				
385	330	Claremont Gs	370 †	-½	7.1	2.7	∞
593	451	Courtauld Text	542 †	...	...	3.3	19.1
35	11	Cupid▲	12				
164	124	Dawson	163	...	...	5.8	12.4
36	31	Drummond	31				
80	76	Faupel▲	76	-2	4.9	8.1	11.8
29	24	Foster (John)	26				
168	113	Gaskell	160	...	...	3.4	...
249	222	Hicking Pntest	223	...	...	2.4	15.8
73	58	Jerome (S)	60	...	...	0.4	...
485	395	Lamont	416	+13	12.0	3.6	27.6
340	319	Leeds	319	-1	...	2.2	16.5
101	78	Lyles (S)	78	...	...	5.3	...
212	125	Magellan	175	...	1.4	1.0	...
266	193	Parkland	226	+10	...	0.9	...
112	97	Readicut	101	-1	...	4.3	19.0
70	51	SEET	55				
140	124½	Sirdar	127 †	...	...	5.3	8.8
64	54	Stirling Gp	59	-1	1.9	4.0	16.3
46	35	Stoddard	36	...	...	5.2	33.5
330	275	Tomkinsons	315	-1	...	4.6	26.7
49	34	West Trust	39	...	...	8.7	...
280	245	Yorklyde	245	...	...	2.8	16.1

TOBACCOS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
570	436	BAT	456 †	+4½	...	5.5	12.7
489	390	Rothmans	398	...	...	3.9	12.5

TRANSPORT

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
627	545	Assoc Br Ports	547 †	+2	...	2.1	∞
1083	965	BAA	976	+2	...	2.1	24.2
128	111	Budgerline	115	+1	...	4.5	...
490½	399	Br Airways	429	+5	...	3.2	18.0
108	86	Clarkson (H)	87	...	1.7	2.5	∞
665	494	Eurotunnel Uts	498	+3			
87	55	Fisher (James)	55				
310	253	IoM Steam	302 †	-2	...	3.6	11.5
55	39	Jacobs (JI)	50 †	+2½	3.3	3.2	∞
111	99	Lon O'Seas Frt	99	...	...	1.3	18.1
534	443	Mersey Docks	488 †	+3	...	2.4	23.6
300	245	Natl Express	298 †	...	...	3.2	∞
291	224	NFC	227	+1	...	3.9	34.7
348	263	Ocean Group	289	+8	...	6.4	14.1
91	71	Ocean Wilson	79	...	4.0	6.3	14.3
725	612½	P & O Dfd	698 †	+10	...	5.5	∞
163	153	P & O 5 1/2%	160	...	...	4.3	...
705	631	Powell Duffryn	672	...	...	4.2	21.3
96½	88	Seacon▲	90	...	...	3.2	20.4
206	158	Stagecoach	178	...	...	2.7	21.7
121	85½	TNT	101½	-1½			
915	803	Tibbet & Britn	813 †	+2½	14.2	2.2	∞
79	42	Tiphook	44				
327	255	TDG	259 †	+4	...	4.6	17.4
132	98	Ugland	122				
160	153	Utd Carriers	153				

WATER

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
607	480	Anglian Water	502	+4	...	5.4	8.9
365	345	Mid Kent Hldgs	345	...	...	3.9	12.7
751	622	Northumbrian	638	+13	...	4.5	7.5
611	510	North West	519	+6	...	5.3	8.6
645	531	Severn Trent	532	-2	...	5.1	7.8
682	552	Sthrn Water	563	+8	...	4.9	8.2
1585	1525	Sth Staffs	1553	...	48.5	3.0	11.1
675	533	South West	534	-6	...	5.7	8.6
611	495	Thames Water	497	+1	...	5.4	8.7
744	620	Welsh Water	628	+4	...	4.8	6.3
759½	629	Wessex Water	646	+11½	...	4.3	10.3
630	505	Yorkshire W	512	+5	...	5.1	8.5

Source: Finstat

▲ USM; # Price at suspension; † Ex dividend; ‡ Ex scrip; † Ex rights issue; ‡ Ex all; § Ex capital distribution; ∞ Figures or report awaited; ... No significant data.

BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS (under 5 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
102[illegible]	100	Exch 13¾% 1994	100	...	13.50	...
102[illegible]	100[illegible]	Treas 10% 1994	100[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.92	5.15
104[illegible]	102[illegible]	Exch 12½% 1994	102[illegible]	-[illegible]	12.18	5.16
103[illegible]	102[illegible]	Treas 9% 1994	102[illegible] †	-[illegible]	8.81	5.22
107[illegible]	105[illegible]	Treas 12% 1995	105[illegible]	...	11.41	5.22
98	97[illegible]	Gas 3% 1990-95	97[illegible]	...	3.06	5.17
107[illegible]	105[illegible]	Exch 10¼% 1995	105[illegible]	...	9.71	5.66
113½	110¼	Treas 12¾% 1995	110¾ †	...	11.55	5.86
117[illegible]	113[illegible]	Treas 14% 1996	113¼	...	12.36	6.01
121[illegible]	116[illegible]	Treas 15¼% 1996	117¼ †	...	13.01	6.19
117[illegible]	113[illegible]	Exch 13¼% 1996	113[illegible] †	...	11.67	6.23
112[illegible]	107[illegible]	Conv 10% 1996	108 †	-[illegible]	9.26	6.56
121[illegible]	115¼	Treas 13¼% 1997	117¼	...	11.25	6.23
114[illegible]	108[illegible]	Exch 10½% 1997	109[illegible]	...	9.59	6.79
110[illegible]	104½	Treas 8¾% 1997	105[illegible]	...	8.30	6.89
131[illegible]	123¼	Exch 15% 1997	124[illegible] †	+[illegible]	12.07	7.10
114[illegible]	107¼	Exch 9¾% 1998	108[illegible]	+[illegible]	8.99	7.15
106½	99[illegible]	Treas 7¼% 1998	100[illegible]	+[illegible]	7.21	7.08
102	99[illegible]	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	99[illegible] †	-[illegible]	6.81	7.64
131½	121[illegible]	Treas 14% 1998-01	123	+[illegible]	11.38	7.41
140[illegible]	129[illegible]	Treas 15½% 1998	130[illegible]	+[illegible]	11.87	7.32
125[illegible]	116[illegible]	Exch 12% 1998	117¼	+[illegible]	10.22	7.47
116[illegible]	107[illegible]	Treas 9½% 1999	108[illegible]	+[illegible]	8.75	7.33

MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
101[illegible]	93[illegible]	Treas 6% 1999	95[illegible]	+[illegible]	6.31	7.13
128[illegible]	117[illegible]	Exch 12¼% 1999	119[illegible]	+[illegible]	10.29	7.55
121[illegible]	111¼	Treas 10½% 1999	112¼	+[illegible]	9.31	7.44
121[illegible]	111	Conv 10¼% 1999	112[illegible]	+[illegible]	9.12	7.49
116[illegible]	105[illegible]	Conv 9% 2000	107[illegible]	+[illegible]	8.39	7.42
136[illegible]	124¼	Treas 13% 2000	125[illegible]	+[illegible]	10.33	7.70
106[illegible]	95[illegible]	Treas 7% 2001	97¼ †	+[illegible]	7.20	7.46
122[illegible]	110[illegible]	Treas 10% 2001	112¼	+[illegible]	8.92	7.66
123[illegible]	110[illegible]	Treas 9¾% 2002	112[illegible]	+[illegible]	8.68	7.73
113[illegible]	100[illegible]	Treas 8% 2003	102[illegible]	-[illegible]	7.80	7.59
127[illegible]	112[illegible]	Treas 10% 2003	114[illegible]	+[illegible]	8.70	7.72
129[illegible]	117¼	Treas 11½% 2001-04	119[illegible]	-[illegible]	9.65	7.84
86[illegible]	74¼	Fund 3½% 1999-04	76½	-[illegible]	4.57	6.67
105½	92[illegible]	Treas 6¾% 2004	94½	+[illegible]	7.15	7.51
125[illegible]	110[illegible]	Conv 9½% 2004	112[illegible] †	+[illegible]	8.43	7.71
125¼	110¼	Conv 9½% 2005	113¼ †	-[illegible]	8.40	7.70
143[illegible]	127[illegible]	Treas 12½% 2003-05	129[illegible]	+[illegible]	9.64	8.00
111½	97[illegible]	Treas 8% 2002-06	101[illegible]	+[illegible]	7.86	7.74
112[illegible]	98¼	Treas 7¾% 2006	100[illegible]	-[illegible]	7.70	7.65
136[illegible]	121¼	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	123¼	+[illegible]	9.53	7.99
119[illegible]	104[illegible]	Treas 8½% 2007	106¼	-[illegible]	7.97	7.66
151[illegible]	134[illegible]	Treas 13½% 2004-08	136[illegible]	+[illegible]	9.86	8.02
124[illegible]	108[illegible]	Treas 9% 2008	111¼ †	+[illegible]	8.10	7.70

LONGS (over 15 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
115[illegible]	99[illegible]	Treas 8% 2009	102[illegible]	+¼	7.81	7.70
126[illegible]	109¼	Conv 9% 2011	112[illegible]	+1[illegible]	8.03	7.71
127¼	109[illegible]	Treas 9% 2012	112¼	+1	8.01	7.71
93¼	77[illegible]	Treas 5½% 2008-12	80¼	+1[illegible]	6.80	7.47
114¼	98	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	100[illegible]	+[illegible]	7.70	7.66
117[illegible]	100[illegible]	Treas 8% 2013	102[illegible]	+1	7.78	7.70
159½	137¼	Exch 12% 2013-17	140[illegible]	+1[illegible]	8.55	7.90
128[illegible]	108[illegible]	Treas 8¾% 2017	111	+1[illegible]	7.88	7.71

UNDATED

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
54[illegible]	47[illegible]	War Ln 3½%	47[illegible]	+[illegible]	7.75	...
37½	29[illegible]	Treas 2½%	30½	+½	8.16	...

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1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
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A scene from *In the Name of the Father*, the film about the Guildford Four and a miscarriage of justice that led to a Royal Commission

In the name of justice?

Sir David Napley argues that changes in the right to silence will lead to fewer criminals being convicted

To read some newspapers, it would be easy to believe that the maintenance of the so-called right to silence was intended to protect the guilty, rather than, as is the fact, the innocent.

Even so, most responsible citizens would be willing to diminish once again the rules that protect them from injustice if this would diminish the awesome incidence of serious crime. In fact, the proposals of the Criminal Justice Bill will achieve neither the objective of securing more convictions nor confidence in the system.

The Bill deals with this subject in two ways. The first is based on a draft of parliamentary draftsmen for the Home Office Criminal Law Revision Committee's eleventh report, which has remained unimplemented for almost 22 years. The relevant clause provides that, where evidence is given that the accused failed at a defined earlier stage to mention a fact which in the circumstances existing at the time he could reasonably have been expected to mention, the court may draw such inferences from the failure as appear proper.

This seems to assume that when the judge draws to the attention of the jury, as he would, the existence of such a situation, they are unlikely already to have noticed it, or that, since the judge will no longer tell the jury that they cannot hold his silence against him, this will be decisive and secure more convictions.

Over many years, legislators and the judiciary have continued to believe that if a jury of ordinary people are told to disregard something that they heard, they are both willing and capable of doing so. The situation is even worse in America, whose procedures we seem so often to want to copy, where the judge is constantly telling the jury to disregard some adverse fact which they have heard because it has been struck from the record. All experience tends to show that the real situation is quite the contrary.

If a jury are intelligent enough to try a serious crime, they are fully alive to the fact that the accused has failed to reveal at the outset a defence which he has subsequently put forward. Moreover, short of being in a coma, it is impossible for them to fail to notice that the accused has failed to give evidence in his defence at the trial.

Juries certainly do not need the judge to draw this to their attention and when he does so, as it is intended that in future he should, it will doubtless still remain in their mind in much the same way as it does today when he tells them to ignore it.

> "The reason juries acquit guilty people is because they do not trust the police"

In fact, the reason why juries still frequently acquit, even when it is manifest that the accused failed to reveal a fact or give evidence, is not attributable to the niceties of the rules of evidence but to other factors, one of which, unhappily, is that in the current climate they are not prepared to assume that the police are telling the truth, even when they are.

There is no intention to compel a suspect or an accused to reveal any facts either at the outset or at the trial. Thus, it will remain the law that the citizen has an absolute right to remain silent, as indeed the Royal Commission on Criminal Justice recently recommended should be the case. That being so, the drafting, as contained in the present Bill, would on analysis seem odd in the extreme. How could any court in the future hold, while retaining its credibility, that a failure to reveal a fact was "unreasonable" if by the law of this country there were no duty to disclose it?

What presumably the parliamentary draftsmen intended to assert and what the Home Office Criminal Law Revision Committee intended to assert was quite different; namely, that if the jury believes that an innocent person would have wished to disclose a fact which was likely to exonerate him, notwithstanding his right to remain silent, but failed to do so, they might draw a proper inference that his later story may not be true. That is totally different from asserting that the law gives him the right to do. However, even with better wording, this change is unlikely to produce more sound convictions, although, as the Royal Commission feared, it may well produce more wrongful ones.

It necessarily remains the view that a solicitor should be present during interrogation to protect a suspect. Often it is wise to say nothing at the outset, until there is time to see whether the story given by the client is corroborated by other evidence. What if the suspect, as very many will, replies: "I have been advised by my solicitor, as the law provides, that I should not answer questions at this stage"? Will anyone believe that failure to disclose facts was unreasonable at that stage?

It is the process of interrogation which has occasioned most of that which recently has, unhappily, brought the legal system into disrepute. The imperative need is to eliminate those reasons and to restore respect for the courts and the law. It is probably true that no great damage is likely to follow from drawing the jury's attention to something they already know, but no good is likely to emerge from it either.

It is an important and fundamental principle of criminal law that in serious crime the onus of establishing guilt remains throughout on the prosecution. It has always been a much-acclaimed right of an accused to say nothing and to put the prosecution to proof of guilt beyond reasonable doubt. Where will that principle stand if these clauses are enacted? Presumably nowhere. An accused can hardly be expected to say to his interrogators or to the court: "It may well be that I am guilty, but I call upon you to prove it."

The second proposal which the Lord Chief Justice has already condemned requires the judge, at the conclusion of the prosecution's case if it is made clear that it is not intended to call the defendant, to call upon the accused to give evidence in his own defence and explain that inferences can be drawn against him if he does not. He still will not be required to give evidence.

Far from enhancing the image of justice, this seems calculated to cause an intelligent juryman to lose whatever respect he previously entertained for the judiciary. If there is one thing which it is essential a judge should do in the course of a trial, it is to present himself as utterly impartial.

Indeed, experience also shows that when a judge sides too much with the prosecution, juries revolt and acquit guilty people.

The only effect of placing this proposed duty upon the judge will be to give the impression that he has taken sides with the prosecution and is now assisting them in the conduct of their case and, however much the reality may be otherwise, still further damage will have been done with no indentifiable gain.

Parliament needs to rethink these particular clauses of the new Bill.

● *The author is a past president of the Law Society and a member of the Home Office Criminal Law Revision Committee.*

Judges must learn to talk to media

Joshua Rozenberg has been the BBC's legal correspondent since 1984. His book *The Search for Justice: An Anatomy of the Law* will be published on Thursday (Hodder & Stoughton, £19.99). Like his news reports, it provides information with a clarity, accuracy and relevance that helps lawyers as well as lay people to understand legal developments. This is a considerable achievement: there are increasing pressures on broadcast journalists to concentrate on what is sensational, to emphasise what is speculative, and to give a low priority to analysis of complex but important issues.

Much of Rozenberg's book explains recent developments in our legal system and makes constructive suggestions for necessary reforms to improve access to justice. Of particular interest are those passages in which he discusses and illuminates the sensitive relationship between the judiciary and the media.

The principles by which senior judges decide whether to speak out of court have varied for each generation. At the beginning of the 19th century, Lord Ellenborough was a member of the Cabinet while serving as the Chief Justice. At the end of the 1930s, Lord Chief Justice Hewart wrote articles for the *News of the World* on topics such as "should a man be hanged" and "licensing law reform". Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice from 1971-80, considered that "the best judge is the man who is least known to the readers of the *Daily Mail*". His successor, Lord Lane, declined to give interviews to journalists.



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When Lord Mackay became Lord Chancellor in October 1987, one of his first decisions was to abolish the Kilmuir Rules, adopted in 1955 by Lord Chancellor Kilmuir to prohibit judicial participation in radio and television programmes. On the day of his appointment as Lord Chief Justice in April 1992, Lord Taylor held a press conference. Last October, he appeared on a special edition of BBC1's *Question Time* devoted to penal policy.

Legal journalists now have greater access to judges, on and off the record, than ever before. With those opportunities have come responsibilities, because the more worried judges are that what they say and do will not be accurately and fairly reported, the less willing they will be to assist reporters. Some lessons have been learnt on both sides, but misunderstandings and doubts remain, to the disadvantage of the public.

Rozenberg explains what happens when judges fail to assist the media. In January 1988, the Court of Appeal, presided over by Lord Lane, dismissed an appeal against conviction by the Birmingham Six. The judgment consisted of 160 typed pages which the three appeal judges took it in turns to read out. This occupied most of a day. No copy was made available to journalists. The court made no attempt to summarise its findings. It was, then, hardly surprising that news reporting of the judgment failed to communicate the reasoning of the court. By contrast, when the Court of Appeal (presided over by Lord Justice Lloyd) gave its reasons for allowing a further appeal by the Birmingham Six in 1991, more than one hundred copies of the judgment were made available to the press.

When the Divisional Court held unlawful the decision to close a number of coal mines in 1992, Lord Justice Glidewell provided a summary of the lengthy judgment to help the press and the public to understand the decision. Rozenberg correctly points out the public interest advantages of such a practice and complains that it is rare (though not unique) in this country, by contrast with the practice in the European Court of Justice and the European Court of Human Rights.

The Scottish criminal courts have been participating in an experiment to give access to television cameras so that the public can see, through the most popular medium, how the law is administered on their behalf. Rozenberg reveals that in 1992 the law lords agreed to their proceedings being recorded and broadcast, but subject to a condition which the BBC would not accept: "If any member of the committee which is filmed objects to any part of the programme depicting the committee, that part will be excised." The BBC should think again. The value of such access, and the opportunity to remove judicial fears about the broadcasting of such proceedings, justify a limited loss of editorial control.

As Rozenberg explains, those who are very learned in the law are sometimes surprisingly naive about the media and about the ability (and willingness) of some journalists to make mischief at the expense of the judiciary. Rozenberg suggests that "the judges should indeed think twice before opening their mouths". He recognises that "there are times when silence is necessary in the wider public interest".

Politicians, industrialists and trade union leaders all receive expert training in communicating with and through the media. The Lord Chancellor's Department should at least send all members of the judiciary a copy of Rozenberg's book.

● *The author is a practising barrister and a Fellow of All Souls College, Oxford.*

Heated diners

LORD Justice Steyn, chairman of the Lord Chancellor's advisory committee on legal education and conduct, has sparked off a heated debate with his recent suggestion that there were "strong arguments in principle" in favour of common training for barristers and solicitors.

The latest to enter the fray is Nigel Savage, dean of Nottingham Law School, who has a radical suggestion. He says it is time the Council of Legal Education gave up its monopoly on teaching the Bar vocational course. "It should get its act together. If it cannot cope with all the new students, let us take them on. There is no particular reason why the Bar course has to be taught in London unless it's to ensure the students eat their dinners and I'm sure we can arrange a reasonable alternative here in the provinces."

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WHEN Shea & Gould, the New York law firm, entered the record books in January as the second largest law firm ever to shut down, its lawyers were scattered to the four winds. Of the 92 partners, 82 have found new homes in more than 42 destinations including law firms, companies and investment banks. One of the few who has not yet announced his final destination is Thomas Constance, the former managing partner whose suspected negotiations to leave Shea & Gould helped to trigger the vote to dissolve the 250-lawyer firm in the first place.

Caring route

THE avalanche of judicial reviews predicted to follow the implementation of the Community Care Act one year ago has failed to materialise, according to a review of the first year of the Act in the journal *Community Care*. The dissatisfied users of community care — of which there is no shortage — are using complaints procedures but avoiding the courts. The only high-profile court case remains that of Mark Hazell, whose High Court victory against Avon Council enabled him to choose his own form of residential care.

Unequal cases

WITH the upper limit on race discrimination compensation almost certain to disappear as Parliament debates the Race Relations (Remedies) Bill, the Citizen's Advice Bureaux report a substantial increase in enquiries concerning employment law and discrimination. In 1992-93, CAB dealt with 882,257 employment-related queries, a 31 per cent increase over five years. A significant number of cases involved discrimination, prompting a report, "Unequal Opportunities — CAB Evidence on Discrimination in Employment."

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Specially trained French troops at work clearing the thousands of Iraqi mines from beaches in Kuwait after the Gulf War

UN clears compensation for Gulf War victims

t is 10pm on a Sunday in Geneva. At a building out near the airport, the lights are still on. The staff of the United Nion's Gulf War claims commis- s is still at work. The overtime dget has been exhausted, but the s are working late anyway. ir sense of urgency, even plea- e, resembles a political cam- gn rather than an international eaucracy. People will be there at clock in the morning.

he UN Compensation Commis- s was created by a vote of the urity Council the month after end of the ground war. It will nounce its first decisions this day on the expedited claims for se who died or suffered serious ury at the hands of Iraqi troops otherwise.

About $3 million (about £2 lion) is expected to be awarded these first 1,100 claimants, in- ding some in Britain. If, as ected, the awards are ratified at next Compensation Commis- n governing council meeting m May 23 to 27, the money could sent to their governments within ys, and from there to the injured d to the families of the dead.

This first panel had authority to der only the expedited, fixed- nount awards of $2,500, but nels to come will treat damage aims for up to $100,000, and yond. At the outset, the UN made e humanitarian choice that war ctims should get *something* as on as possible, with the decision the rest of their damages coming ter.

The money to pay the first claims sitting in a UN escrow account. It epresents the loan, made to the N by the United States under esolution 778, of frozen funds om Iraqi oil sales made just efore the invasion of Kuwait.

There is more ready cash that uld be loaned to the UN to pay aimants. It is in the hands of other untries with frozen Iraqi assets, t they are declining to loan it to e UN under Resolution 778 cause of claims by their own ationals. The United Nations els "only" about $250 to $300 lion to pay the rest of the claims will be decided this year, and loan of more frozen assets by other countries could cover it.

Ambassador Carlos Alzamora, executive secretary of the Compensation Commission, says: "We trust that the governments holding the funds to which the compensation fund is entitled will allow the commission to honour on time its first commitments to claimants all over the world."

Once the cash awards start going out, it is hard to see how the process could ever be politically derailed — there are too many claimants who are owed too much money.

The UN has claims from more than 2.3 million people, companies or governments on file, for a total of $50 billion in damages so far. The big governmental claims are not all in yet, and total claims of $100 billion are expected.

The real claims money will come in when Iraq finally begins to sell oil again (after an embargo lasting three-and-a-half years and counting) and the UN takes 30 per cent of the oil proceeds to pay the injured.

The deadlines have now expired for claims for death and serious injury, expedited treatment (5,108 received) and death, injury and property losses up to $100,000 (264,088 received) and forced evacuation (858,575 received).

The first claims were filed in 1992, and all claims should be decided by the end of 1996, an historic speed record. Corporate claims are now due by July 1, 1994 (3,904 received so far), government claims by August 1 (66 received so far). The panels for those claims should start working next year.

The commission kept to its tight internal deadline of 120 days to decide each submission. Fridays' claims were given to Panel B on December 14.

The three commissioners came to Geneva seven times for meetings of about a week each, but also maintained their previous jobs or professions. The commissioners' posts are neither financial bonanzas nor sinecures. Just 70 members of staff support the whole effort, with a peak of about 100 expected by this summer.

The effort has been led since its inception by Señor Alzamora, and his deputies Michael Raboin and Ambassador Felipe Paolillo. They and the secretariat staff, the commissioners and the representatives of the 15 nations on the United Nations Compensation Commission governing council and their foreign ministries, are pioneering a way of handling war claims never before seen in the long history of human conflict.

● *The author is an international lawyer who has practised in the Middle East. He is counsel to Layton Brooks & Hecht in New York.*

Law firms cash in on City pay-offs

Company bosses are looking to lawyers to boost golden handshakes

Graham Taylor, the former England football manager, had the good fortune to land a job at Wolverhampton Wanderers within three months of his ignominious resignation. Captains of industry, however, do not find it quite so easy to cruise into a welcoming port. It takes a redundant chief executive from nine months to a year, on average, to find a new job. If they are in their mid-to-late fifties, they may never be employed again. Unsurprisingly their first call, on scenting a hint of dismissal, is to a lawyer.

Advising directors and chief executives how to make a profitable departure has become an important area of business. Janet Gaymer at Simmons & Simmons, the doyenne of employment lawyers, reckons that recent work with individuals has amounted to up to 40 per cent of her department's cases. Many other big firms' employment lawyers will acknowledge that they are spending about a third of their time with individuals rather than corporate clients. Leading law firms see this as a lucrative field because pay-outs are now so large, sometimes as much as £5 million in total, that the clients involved can afford top City fees.

> Share options have become an important part of a package

Moreover, financial institutions have been exercising pressure in a manner undreamt of a decade ago to remove top people from companies perceived to be under-performing.

At the heart of the big pay-offs are the terms of the service contract. The details of these have varied markedly in recent years.

As Ms Gaymer says: "The lengths of the typical contract have dropped from five years to three years, and are now down to one year.

"Likewise, the arrangements for share options have shifted. They have now come to form an important part of the package."

The timing of a departure is, therefore, vitally important, and the mix within the remuneration package will determine whether an executive can leave, like Tony FitzSimons of the Bristol & West Building Society, with about £500,000, or, as reportedly happened to Dr Tony Martin, of Celsis International last week, with nothing.

Roger Steel, of Frere Cholmeley Bischoff, is regularly involved in urgent discussions to ease the departure of senior board members. "I often get a call from clients who say, 'I want you around here this afternoon, and to have it all wrapped up in a week'. Speed and discretion are often vital," he says.

The grey areas that provide the focus for debate are usually over the pensions payments and "mitigation terms" (where the quicker an executive is expected to find another job, the less he should receive in mitigation). It is normally in both sides' interests to come to a quick resolution, but an experienced lawyer will help to produce a result that is considered fair to both sides.

John Farr, of Herbert Smith, detects a change in mood as directors modify their appetite for big packages, and remuneration committees of non-executive directors take a firm line under pressure from institutional investors. Ms Gaymer predicts that in a few years' time we shall see stability at the top, as closer-knit, hand-picked management teams aim to stick together. "This is where I see more creative lawyering coming in," she says, "as we devise remuneration packages that are designed to enhance the commitment of the management team to encourage them to work harder and stay longer." Mind you, that was never Graham Taylor's problem.

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GALLERIES: **Richard Cork** on the threads joining the Tate, multi-media artist Rose Garrard and two new exhibitions

The good released from Pandora's box

If Rose Garrard had not become fascinated by Harry Bates's *Pandora* a decade ago, it would probably still be lurking in the Tate Gallery's basement store. Now the statue occupies a prime position in the entrance, introducing a new and stimulating survey of British sculpture from the 1870s until the Second World War.

In 1983, though, Garrard had to make an appointment to view Bates's forgotten masterpiece. She remembers being "led through long underground corridors lined with art. Having only seen a photograph of *Pandora* in a childhood book on Greek myths, she had no idea if it was the size of an ornament or a monument. Then a dust-cover was lifted from a Victorian glass case, revealing "a beautifully carved life-size figure in white marble".

She lost no time in asking to borrow the sculpture for her installation at the Whitechapel Art Gallery. At first, the Tate demurred: the conservators were worried that the figure's unsupported arm, holding a *bronze and ivory casket, might* break. But their fears were overcome, and a photograph of *Pandora* at Garrard's Whitechapel show now appears in the catalogue of her retrospective exhibition.

Filling the whole of the Cornerhouse gallery in Manchester, her show is an overcrowded yet absorbing attempt to sum up a 25-year career. More space would have helped this ambitious venture, but the labyrinth created here does remain faithful to Garrard's mistrust of any fixed, monolithic attitudes towards the past. The jostling exhibits refuse to settle down, thereby reflecting her own preference for a fluid, infinitely adaptable body of work. Moving from sculpture to video and from painting to performance, she has always been against a rigid hierarchy of media.

Her supple, flowing approach reflects a desire to break down patriarchal prejudice as well. Ever since she became well-known in the early 80s, Garrard has been determined to find an alternative to oppressive, male-dominated views of art. Her Manchester exhibition contains images of women artists from the past, some of whom — like the 17th-century Italian painter Artemisia Gentileschi — were unfairly overlooked. Hence Garrard's preoccupation with the frames surrounding many of these images, and her consistent urge to free the women from these constraining boundaries.

The torrent of work cascading through the Cornerhouse could be seen as the contents of Pandora's notorious box. When she opened it, all manner of pestilential evils were supposed to have been unleashed.

But Garrard clearly resented the story, regarding it as a slur concocted by men who prevented women gaining access to knowledge and power. The appeal of Bates's sculpture must, for her, have lain in its melancholic aura. Far from presenting Pandora as foolish or diabolic, he views her with sympathy. Solemn and chaste, this neo-classical figure bends over the casket in apprehensive wonder.

Bates's decision to contrast her blanched purity with the exquisite richness of the bronze and ivory container adds to its allure. She seems unearthly and almost disembodied in comparison, and the tiny group carved on the casket's lid shows the sleeping Pandora borne on a horse-drawn chariot. Bates doubtless saw her as a woman in thrall to a dream, and did not blame her for releasing a nightmare from the box.

The appeal of such a sculpture for Garrard is self-evident. In a video called *Tumbled Frame II*, she kneels beside the carving in the same position as Pandora. Her attitude is meditative, not mournful. Clothed and purposeful, she is clearly unafraid of opening the casket in her hands. To Garrard, Pandora is the victim of a misogynist's myth, and her box should be seen as an opportunity rather than a threat.

That is why it reappears, in collage form, clutched by Michelangelo's Adam on the Sistine ceiling. *Reconstructing the 'man'-stream* runs the title, implying that art has been overshadowed for too long by an exclusively male pantheon.

In her determination to propose a more positive image of Pandora and, by extension, women as a whole, Garrard sometimes underlines her meanings too heavily. She can seem ponderous, but her willingness to engage in direct dialogue with gallery visitors proves how open she is really prepared to be. Nobody encountering Garrard during her "live-art residency" at the Cornerhouse could doubt her readiness to share and learn.

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Nor could anyone claim, after viewing the Tate's own survey of British Sculpture, that she exaggerates the invisibility of women artists from the past. In 1890, when Bates produced his carving, all the most celebrated British sculptors were male. Women did make sculpture, and some, including Gwendolen Williams, Margaret Giles and Ellen Mary Rope, were accomplished practitioners. But none of them is represented here, presumably because their work was never acquired by the Tate.

There are plenty of surprises among the Victorian sculptors, many of whom used to be as neglected as Bates. Newly cleaned and displayed with panache, their work looks skilful and confident. But as we approach the 20th century, they seem increasingly trapped inside an exhausted set of conventions. Sir Thomas Brock's *Eve*, carved in 1900, is a polished yet curiously listless image of a woman about to succumb to temptation. By the time we reach Sir William Reynolds-Stephens's *A Royal Game*, produced in 1906 as a project for a national memorial to the Armada's defeat, triviality has set in. Despite the assurance with which he deploys his various metals and inlays, Reynolds-Stephens is guilty of monumental inconsequence. His fantasy of Elizabeth I playing a triumphant chess-match with Philip II does not rise above the level of a child's history book illustration.

No wonder the next generation rebelled with such vigour. Rejecting the automatic reliance on the classical tradition, as well as the stifling emphasis on a smooth, slick finish, they found inspiration in African, Indian and Oceanic sculpture. Instead of relying on studio assistance and lavish materials, they rediscovered a direct relationship with stone. Concentrating above all on carving, they allowed the intrinsic nature of the block to help them arrive at the final image.

They were unafraid to deal brazenly with erotic themes which the Victorians had only dared hint at. Epstein showed doves copulating. His close friend Gill went even further, carving a man and woman locked in sexual ecstasy. The precocious Gaudier-Brzeska shared their interest in so-called "primitive" cultures, spurning the Greeks and conducting a series of virtuoso, eclectic raids on the non-western sculpture he discovered in the British Museum. The years immediately preceding the First World War were a time of intense excitement and innovation. Academic propriety was swept away by young men united in an impatient desire to reinvent the language of modern sculpture.

Women, however, did not yet play a significant part in this upheaval. Only in the 1920s, when a new crop of adventurous young sculptors emerged, did Britain finally produce a woman who could be counted among the outstanding sculptors of her day. For a complete reassessment of Barbara Hepworth's achievement, we will have to wait until the Tate Gallery Liverpool mounts a major retrospective in the autumn. But enough of her early carvings are shown here to demonstrate exceptional qualities.

Unlike Moore, with whom she is so closely associated, Hepworth focused on an art of serenity. As the powerful row of early Moore mask carvings shows, he was often a more disturbing sculptor than his public image might suggest. But she preferred harmony and sensual affirmation, nowhere more movingly than in the Tate's recently acquired *Mother and Child* of 1934, a small carving in cumberland alabaster where all her strengths are encapsulated.

By proving that she could gain an international reputation equal to her male contemporaries, Barbara Hepworth set an inspiring example to the women of Garrard's generation who now play an increasingly prominent and rewarding role in the art of today.

● Rose Garrard: Living Archives *at the Cornerhouse, Manchester (061-228 2463) until April 24;* British Sculpture at the Tate *(071-887 8000) until August*





Rose Garrard's *Reconstructing the 'man'-stream* has Michelangelo's Adam cradling the bronze and ivory casket containing the evils of the world created (right) by Harry Bates for his *Pandora* to hold

CONCERTS: The Festival of American Music continues in moods ranging from exuberant to ambient, while the Bournemouth SO prepares for the States

No spectacle in Glass

Philharmonia/ Slatkin
Festival Hall

THE second of the Philharmonia Orchestra's three concerts at the centre of the Motorola Festival of American Music offered a well devised programme apt for a Saturday night, yet avoiding the predictable.

The only familiar item was Gershwin's *An American in Paris*, clearly enjoyed by the members of the Philharmonia even if they were sometimes a little slow to respond to Leonard Slatkin's exhortations from the podium.

Balancing the Gershwin at the beginning of the evening was the Holiday Overture of Elliott Carter, which finds the composer in suitably exuberant — if unusually populist — mood. Presumably only the large orchestra required prevents this exhilaratingly unbuttoned piece, which was played with appropriate verve by the Philharmonia, from being heard more often.

The meat of the programme, however, lay in the items on either side of the interval: Charles Ives's Second Symphony (replacing the originally scheduled Fourth, but hardly any more of a repertory piece) and Philip Glass's Violin Concerto of 1987, receiving its UK premiere surprisingly late in the day for such a cult composer.

Ives's Second is one of the most extraordinary potpourris in the history of music. Identifiable snatches of Brahms and Wagner are juxtaposed (ironic considering their historical polarisation), together with Tchaikovsky, Dvořák, Beethoven, Bruckner, Bach and a generous helping of Yankee hymns and patriotic songs. Not for another half a century, in the compositions of Alfred Schnittke (who testified to Ives's influence on his own music), were classical models to be so comprehensively subverted.

The irony is less acerbic in Ives: indeed, the harmonic vocabulary is so conservative (notwithstanding the obstreperous dodecaphonic chord that ends the work) that one has the greatest difficulty disentangling the strands of borrowed theme. Such a tight weave also reinforces the ambiguity of intent: with what degree of affection or contempt is Ives recalling the musical canon he was in the process of disavowing?

Even for the unconverted, the first two movements of Philip Glass's Violin Concerto both start quite promisingly. Orchestral figuration soon dissolves into the usual aural wallpaper, but the violin solo each time enters with a statement of palpable shape and character. Before long, of course, this too begins to drift until eventually the penny drops: perhaps this inoffensive mood music is meant just as backing for the thought processes which have to be *provided by the listener.*

Trailing his customary threads of spindly sound, Gidon Kremer nobly concealed his known disenchantment with the work behind a facade of furrowed-brow concentration.

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Bournemouth SO/ Litton
Barbican

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The Barbican send-off, in the presence of Princess Alexandra, tackled the former option. A Bernstein *Candide* Overture celebrated the mark the orchestra's own American principal conductor, Andrew Litton, has made.

The other works, Rachmaninov's Third Piano Concerto and Shostakovich's Eighth Symphony, acknowledged retrospectively the Russian lessons the orchestra had learnt during the five-year residency of Rudolf Barshai, himself a pupil of Shostakovich. The players themselves were in fine fettle.

Shostakovich's Eighth offers the orchestra plenty of opportunities to show off, and is certainly one of the noisiest the composer ever wrote.

But this great war requiem is no mere rabble-rouser, as Litton made clear in his deep-breathed and strongly paced opening movement. Bows thudded on strings, and the solemn antiphony of violins and cellos revealed fine ensemble playing on both sides of the platform.

The grotesque, goose-stepping second movement and the savage, toccata-like third maintained a level of energy that should sustain the orchestra on its long voyage to and across America, if it doesn't defeat the players. It certainly nurtured the long reaches of the final passacaglia with its needling, enervating counterpoint and its long, slow collapse.

On the other hand, Yefim Bronfman's performance of the Rachmaninov was as brash as the symphony, for all its raging, had been thoughtful in its re-creation.

The piece was certainly unashamedly, even desperately, written as a showpiece for Rachmaninov's own first wage-earning American tour in 1909; but the point does not have to be laboured.

For all its endless parade of virtuoso pianism and vibrant orchestral colours, the work can reveal an inwardness and a subtlety if it is given half a chance.

Bronfman, alas, preferred to deny it this opportunity and, a marvellously hushed opening apart, played it for maximum volume, maximum melodrama and maximum effect.

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A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kris Anderson

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SOUTHAMPTON: Welsh National Opera opens a short season of musical magic tonight. Christopher Alden's production of Puccini's *Turandot* opens the proceedings, with Mary Jane Johnson, Edmund Barham and Patricia Racette; Carlo Rizzi conducts. Julian Smith conducts Christine Schaefer as Donizetti's *Lucia di Lammermoor*. Plus David Alden's new production of Handel's mighty epic, *Ariodante*. Darkly atmospheric but glorious to look at, with Della Jones, Felicity Palmer and Alwyn Mellor. Marc Minkowski conducts. **Mayflower**, Commercial Road (0703 229771). Tonight-Sat, check box office for schedule. ◪

PRESTON: Pianist Grigory Sokolov joins Alexander Lazarev and the **Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra** this evening for a programme which includes Chopin's Piano Concerto No 2, Rachmaninov's *The Isle of the Dead* and Sibelius' Symphony No 2. **Guildhall**, Lancaster Road (0772 258858). Tonight, 7.30pm. ◪

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◪ **DEAD FUNNY:** Terry Johnson's complex (perhaps too much so) web of connections between sexually arrested comics and their ditto admirers. With Zoë Wanamaker and David Haig. **Vaudeville**, Strand, WC2 (071-836 9987). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm; mats Wed and Sat, 3pm.

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◪ **GHOSTS:** Katie Mitchell's powerful production from last year's Stratford. Jane Lapotaire, Simon Russell Beale and John Carlisle head the cast. **Pit**, Barbican Centre, EC2 (071-638 8891). Mon-Sat, 7.15pm; mat Sat 2pm. ◪

◪ **HATED NIGHTFALL:** The Wrestling School arrive in London with Ian McDiarmid in Howard Barker's version of the last days of the Romanovs. **Royal Court**, Sloane Square, SW1 (071-730 1745). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm; mat Sat, 3.30pm. Until May 7.

◪ **HOT SHOE SHUFFLE:** Hit Australian musical about seven tap dancing brothers and their tangle footed sister. Exuberantly done and very slick, with lots of Big Band music. **Queens**, Shaftsbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5040). Mon-Sat, 8pm; mats Wed and Sat, 3pm.

□ **JOHNNY ON A SPOT:** Farcical satire about whitewashing a US politician. Charles MacArthur's 1942 play sounds timely. **National (Olivier)**, South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight-Thurs, 7.15pm; mat Thurs, 2pm. ◪

◪ **LORCA, AN EVOCATION:** A fusion of words, song and dance in celebration of one of this century's greatest poet dramatists, from Trader Faulkner and his company. **Lilian Baylis**, Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, EC1 (071-278 8916). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm; mat Sat, 3pm. Until April 23. ◪

■ **A MONTH IN THE COUNTRY:** Helen Mirren and John Hurt head a great cast for Turgenev's classic of love, jealousy and self-deception. **Albery**, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm; mats Thurs and Sat, 3pm.

◪ **ROPE:** Keith Baxter's fresh look at Patrick Hamilton's classic thriller: two young men kill to show how clever they are. **Wyndham's**, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1116). Mon-Sat, 8pm; mats Thurs, 2.30pm and Sat, 4pm.

□ **SEPTEMBER TIDE:** Daphne du Maurier's drama of inappropriate passion stars Susannah York as the decent woman in love with her son-in-law (Michael Praed). **Comedy**, Panton St, SW1 (071-867 1045). Mon-Sat, 8pm; mats Wed 3pm and Sat 4pm. Until April 30.

◪ **SUNSET BOULEVARD:** The show re-opens with Betty Buckley and John Barrowman in the leads and new material brought in from the Los Angeles production. **Adelphi**, Strand WC2 (071-344 0055). Now previewing, 8pm. Opens April 19, 7pm. Then Mon-Sat, 8pm; mats Thurs and Sat, 3pm. ◪

□ **TRAVESTIES:** Stoppard's dazzler, transferred after its sell-out season at the Barbican. Antony Sher as the Consul playing fast and loose with memory. **Savoy**, Strand, WC2 (071-836 8888). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm; mat Sat, 2.30pm. ◪

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CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

NEW RELEASES

AND THE BAND PLAYED ON (12): Worthy, star-studded chronicle of the Aids epidemic, in need of a tighter focus. With Matthew Modine, Alan Alda and Ian McKellen. Director, Roger Spottiswoode. **MGM Shaftesbury Avenue** (071-836 6279)

THE DIARY OF LADY M (18): French cabaret singer bares her body and soul with a Catalan painter. Tedious sex folly from director Alain Tanner, with Myriam Mézières. **MGM Piccadilly** (071-437 3561)

CURRENT

◆ **THE AGE OF INNOCENCE** (U): Scorsese's spellbinding, heartfelt version of Edith Wharton's novel about stifled love in old New York. Daniel Day-Lewis, Michelle Pfeiffer, Winona Ryder **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Mezzanine** ◪ (0426 915683) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **Warner** ◪ (071-437 4343)

◆ **THE ARISTOCATS** (U): Avaricious butler threatens feline Parisians. Pleasant but less than classic Disney. **MGMs: Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

◆ **BACKBEAT** (15): Bouncy, toe-tapping story of the fifth Beatle, Stuart Sutcliffe. With Stephen Dorff, Sheryl Lee and Ian Hart. Director, Iain Softley. **Camden Plaza** (071-485 2443) **MGMs: Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Marble Arch** (0426 914501) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **West End** (0426-915 574) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

THE JOY LUCK CLUB (15): Handsome but shallow version of Amy Tan's novel about Chinese-American families and culture. Wayne Wang directs an accomplished ensemble cast. **Curzon West End** (071-439 4805) **MGM Fulham Road** ◪ (071-370 2636) **Screen/Baker Street** (071-935 2772)

MANHATTAN MURDER MYSTERY (PG): Woody Allen and Diane Keaton turn amateur sleuths. Benign, frivolous comedy co-stars Alan Alda and Anjelica Huston. **MGM Haymarket** (071-839 1527)

◆ **THE PELICAN BRIEF** (12): Sleek, fatuous version of John Grisham's novel stars Julia Roberts and Denzel Washington. Alan J. Pakula directs. **MGMs: Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Oxford Street** (071-630 0310) **Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031) **Warner** ◪ (071-437 4343)

◆ **PHILADELPHIA** (12): An Aids victim's fight for justice. Compromises galore but dynamically told. With Tom Hanks and Denzel Washington. Jonathan Demme directs. **Barbican** ◪ (071-638 8891) **MGMs: Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Shaftesbury Avenue** (071-836 6279) **Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Mezzanine** ◪ (0426 915683) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332).

REDHEADS (15). Australian whodunnit with fancy trappings but a gauche plot stars Claudia Karvan; director, Danny Vendramini. **Plaza** ◪ (0800 888 997)

THE SCENT OF GREEN PAPAYA (U): Visually exquisite portrait of a Saigon servant girl, made in France. Impressive debut by director Tran Anh Hung. **Electric** ◪ (071-792 2020) **Metro** (071-437 0757) **Renoir** (071-837 8402)

◆ **SCHINDLER'S LIST** (15): German businessman (Liam Neeson) saves his Jewish workers from the camps. Impressive, grown-up epic from Steven Spielberg co-stars Ralph Fiennes and Ben Kingsley. **Empire** ◪ (0800-888 911) **MGMs: Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031) **Notting Hill Coronet** ◪ (071-727 6705) **Plaza** (071-437 1234) **Screen/Hill** ◪ (071-435 3366) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

SHORT CUTS (18): Robert Altman's dazzling kaleidoscope of fractured lives in Los Angeles. The superb cast includes Andie MacDowell, Bruce Davison, Tim Robbins, Matthew Modine and Lily Tomlin. **Barbican** ◪ (071-638 8891) **Chelsea Cinema** (071-351 3742) **Lumière** (071-836 0691) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426-914 666) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **Renoir** (071-837 8402) **Warner** ◪ (071-437 4343)

◆ **SISTER ACT 2: BACK IN THE HABIT** (PG): Whoopi Goldberg returns to the wimple. Unwise, dawdling, preachy sequel to a one-off hit. **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Leicester Square** (0426 915683) **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

THE THING CALLED LOVE (15): Low-key tale of youngsters hoping for Nashville fame. River Phoenix's last film, with Samantha Mathis. Peter Bogdanovich directs. **National Film Theatre** (071-928 3232)

WAYNE'S WORLD 2 (PG): Silly but sweet comedy sequel stars Mike Myers and Dana Carvey. Stephen Surjik directs. **Empire** ◪ (0800 888911) **Odeon Mezzanine** ◪ (0426 915683)

THEATRE: A Shakespearean leap of imagination at the RSC, and, below, prostitutes on srike

Money-men on the make

The Merchant of Venice
Barbican

DONAL COOPER



David Calder: establishing himself in the front rank with his intelligent and powerful portrayal of Shyock

CLOSE your ears to the Shakespearean verse the traders and commodity brokers speak, and David Thacker's revival of *The Merchant of Venice* could be happening just yards from the Barbican Theatre. The tubular, multi-level office that fills half the stage is packed with people tapping at computers, making phone calls, and bustling urgently about. It is a place where aggrieved money-men are more likely to stab each other in the back with metaphoric knives rather than slice bits off one another with real ones: but we are used to making such leaps of imagination with RSC productions these days.

The pluses seem obvious enough as you watch these yuppies in their City wine bar. The casual cruelties, the anti-Semitic sneers, the raised eyebrows at Antonio's love for Bassanio all cross effortlessly from the first Elizabethan age to the second. But the minuses are not just superficial. If it takes a vast suspension of disbelief to imagine Clifford Rose's sophisticated Antonio spitting on a fellow businessman and calling him dog, it takes a greater one to credit David Calder's three-quarters assimilated Shylock.

Let me say right away that Calder's performance is highly intelligent, and powerful enough to establish him in the front rank of our actors. The idea seems to be to suggest that Shylock, though wary of Antonio and his retinue, is tired of old battles and at first sees their unconventional bond as a bit of useful bridge-building. It is Jessica's defection, epitomised by her sale of the ring his much-loved wife gave him, that turns him into a man distraught and, finally, obsessed enough to appal even his fellow Jew Tubal. Thus does a minor Rothschild become Sweeney Todd, hovering over the quaking Antonio with his blade and, even after their fortunes are reversed, very nearly wielding it.

But can we really swallow so extreme a transformation? Calder cuts a somewhat harder, more formidable figure in the early scenes than at Stratford last year; but he is still much more sympathetic than the text demands. He even plays some of his uglier lines ironically, sending up his fascination with "moneybags" rather than embodying it. And how can Kate Duchene's Jessica wince from a father whose civilised pastime is to listen to his hi-fi while sadly toying with a photo of her mother, still less call his house "hell"?

The knock-on effect is to make her seem bad, mad or both, and to deprive her scene with Mark Lewis Jones's somewhat namby-pamby Lorenzo ("in such a night as this") of all its sweetness. Indeed, so painful is this Shylock's destruction that all th last act's enchantments are in dangr of becoming a prolonged sick joke. That they do not do so says much fo the emotional magnetism of Owen Tale's Bassanio and, especially, of Pnny Downie's Portia: romantic centreof a strong, bold production that nontheless dodges some of the challengs of Shakespeare's most ticklish play.

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

Seeking sanctuary for whores and mothers

Sacred Hearts
Drill Hall, WC1

THE Scottish Theatre Company, Communicado, are in church. The statue of the Madonna, highly coloured and slender, faces us from the altar. A bundle of women seen from behind, all corpulent black coats and head-covering shawls, put down their shopping bags and light candles. They sing Mass in devout harmony then turn around.

What red mouths they have. And what heavy eyeliner. A shawl is pulled back revealing a zebra-skin chiffon scarf, a peroxide blonde fringe. The coats come off and we see a congregation of prostitutes with sleeping bags tied round their skinny waists. They are on strike. They have come to seek sanctuary, both from a ripper who is "cleaning the streets" and the vindictive city police, whose attitudes seem suspiciously similar, hunting down hookers while doing little to get the killer behind bars.

Sacred Hearts, by Sue Glover, questions the segregation of innocence and vice, of wholesome mothers and whores. In one of Communicado's characteristic musical insets, one of these fallen women, four months pregnant, stands on high like an icon of the Mother of God in an Easter parade accompanied by the ecstatic chanting of "Mary Magdalena". Catholic means all-embracing after all.

The argument about such archetypes is pretty well-worn, the symbolism is not of the subtlest and Glover's play can feel like socio-political preaching. Jan Knightley, cast as the priest, gives a weak performance and Myra McFadyen's directing, though very impressive for a debut, is absorbing but not arresting.

Nevertheless, this play's exposure of society's contradictory attitudes towards prostitutes, on the part of the church, state and man in the street, gives you short sharp shocks which make you think. Gerry Mulgrew alarmingly blurs degrees of misogyny playing the caretaker (both desiring and disdaining), the police chief (a moral castigator leering and wolfish), and the Ripper (whispering venemously in the confession box).The piece also draws out the complexity of women: Alison Peebles doubles as the baker's wife confessing her drams about being a bad girl and Daniele, a prostitute devoted to her chidren.

Sacred Hearts is concerned with the specifics of hookers' lives whether it is the threat of having your baby taken into care, or of court fines which perversely force you back into soliciting. The production is stylised, with the aisle to the altar transforming into a red-light alley or a barricad of chairs changing into the trial scene after the police raid.

However, the project als has the seed of documentary truth a its core. The situation is loosely basecon events in Lyons in 1975. More inportantly, Fiona Bell, Jennifer Black, n fact all the actresses, realise their haracters with beautiful naturalness.

KATE BASSETT

ROCK: A long wait for a disappointing show

A fan for all seasons

Primal Scream
Brixton Academy

IT sometimes seems as if Bobby Gillespie is more of a fan than a performer. Why else would the 29-year-old Primal Scream singer make everyone at Brixton hang around until midnight listening to a bewildering hotchpotch of his favourite tracks — everything from early Rolling Stones and Faces to ambient house — before finally lurching on stage and performing much the same sort of thing, only much worse, himself?

Since pulling the band together in the mid-1980s, Gillespie's breathtaking nerve has enabled him to steer a course through a cunning succession of stylistic changes. First it was the post-Smiths, jangly guitar rock of "Sonic Flower Groove". A few years later it was on to the dancefloor-rock fusion of *Screamadelica* (winner of the Mercury Music award in 1992). Now it's the Rolling Stones-inspired retro-epic *Give Out But Don't Give Up*, their biggest hit yet, currently nestling at No 6 in the MRIB chart.

They are all good records of their type, each an artful reflection of Gillespie's ear for the detail and nuance of other people's music, and each the product of collaborations with the best producers and studio musicians in their field. But on stage, where it was just him and his six-piece band, aided by a briefly guesting George Clinton and various backing tapes, the results were not so impressive.

Deficiencies were manifest from the opening salvo of "Jailbird" and "Rocks", the two foot-stomping, brass-driven, hell-for-leather tracks which open the new album. Firstly, the glaring absence of the horns contributed to the undernourished quality of the bottom-heavy sound mix. This was compounded by the lacklustre playing of drummer Steve Sidelnyk and bassist Henry Laycock who, along with a drum machine-generated backing track, managed to nail down the rhythms with all the swing of a carpenter installing floorboards.

But it was the consistently feeble vocal performances and ineffectual stage presence of Gillespie himself which most let the side dow.. A slim volume in shiny black, he drifed about the stage like a will-o'-the-wis, revealing himself as a singer of litte power and less range.

The ballads, "Damaged" ad "(I'm Gonna) Cry Myself Blind, both dedicated to Kurt Cobain, who had been found dead earlier in he day, produced a poignant effect, ad there was an automatic lift in the roceedings whenever backing singer Denise Johnson was given her head, esecially during "Don't Fight It, Feel It"

But there was an aimlessness and indifference about the perfomance, which drifted on for nearly tw hours before ending with an uncalled or and superfluous repeat of "Rocks" – still a great song, and still sounding nbetter than before.

DAVID SINCAIR

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DANCE: Bill T. Jones tells **John Percival** about his fears on returning to London; and children by the sea

Dancing with his ghosts

Bill T. Jones looks too tough to be easily frightened, but says that he is "a little scared" about bringing his company back to London (it opens at Sadler's Wells Theatre tonight). He reckons that "you're only as good as your last piece". However, the fact that Jones is one of the few choreographers since Twyla Tharp to have made the breakthrough to public recognition should alleviate his fears: his reputation precedes him.

More to the point, however, London holds "a lot of ghosts" for him: memories of earlier visits with his on and offstage partner Arnie Zane. They bowled over a small but enthusiastic audience at the Institute of Contemporary Arts in 1981, dancing two duets in their inimitable and astonishing style. There we saw for the first time this big, black man, who combined great strength with gentleness, and his small, white partner who could have looked weedy but for his extraordinary sharpness and attack.

Somehow they meshed so beautifully together that you would have guessed they were lovers even if they had not proudly announced it. And the relationship in their dances, surprisingly, was one of parallels as well as contrasts: although so different in physique, they could match each other in their double-work.

Later visits found them at progressively more important theatres — the Riverside, then the Wells — at first with a small supporting group, but one which grew into a real company. But in 1988 Zane died of an Aids-related illness, and this is the company's first time here without him, although it did have a big success at last year's Edinburgh Festival.

The name is still the Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Dance Company, and this is not just through sentiment on Jones's part. Zane, he says, was always more interested in directing, and Jones tries to follow his precepts still. They met on St Patrick's Day "around 1971". Zane's specialities then were photography and art history. Jones had already been won over to dancing.

Born in Florida in 1952, he was reared in upstate New York; his father, an itinerant labourer, must have had an odd sense of humour and named the boy after Bill Tass, a Governor of Georgia notorious for his hostility to blacks.

Because his family eventually settled in the north, Jones got a better education than his older siblings. He was in college studying to be an actor and keen on athletics, when one day his niece said, "Don't go to track practice this afternoon, come to dance class". A dancer from Pearl Primus's black company was teaching — and so his real career began, although Jones adds that he was already preconditioned. "I was working in the library, and spent hours in the racks reading about Mary Wigman and Martha Graham. I was fascinated by the pictures of Martha's *Letter to the World*: I couldn't imagine my body making those shapes."

He quickly began to get into the dance world because "young male dancers were always in short supply in the early 1970s", and found himself in circles where everyone



Jones: "This is my religion"

was trying to dislodge the "classical moderns; it was philistine to like Graham". He moved for a while to San Francisco because "New York was not where serious work was being made".

Zane got pulled into dance, but reluctantly because "he felt he was a little funny looking. He was really more of a performance artist." One early piece involved Zane standing on a chair while Caruso's recorded voice sang "La donna è mobile", and falling off at the high notes, whereupon some of his photographs, displayed around him, rearranged themselves.

But Zane became avid about yoga and about the new technique of contact improvisation by which two moving bodies took their cues from each other as they touched. And it was Zane who impelled Jones into action. "Don't just dream about doing things," he would urge, "and don't try to make it perfect before you do it. Do it, then critique it and make it better."

So Zane was the one who would always come up with an idea, a prop, a gesture to use (once they went to see *Sleeping Beauty* for a birthday treat, done by the National Ballet of Washington, and seized on the way the prince pulls Aurora up from the floor, the awkwardness of the balance, as something they could use in a dance). For their frequent pieces that involved talking, Zane would remember and type out what they had said in rehearsal. "He always had a strong aesthetic," Jones says. "He knew what things should look like."

Knowing how upset his partner would be when he died, "Arnie even said to me, 'You can dissolve the company if you like'", but Jones wanted to keep it as "a living memorial". Zane's precepts and some of his choreography remain, and Jones says: "I have to wear more hats now that I don't have him there to deal with the personal diplomatics and the organisation". But he has found ways to involve some of the dancers in the act of creation — "I'm not the centre of my movement world any more". He dances less often, and accepts more choreographic work outside the company. "I have to delegate."

Jones says he sees himself as a poet, and that "I didn't get into dance to show how beautifully my body could move". He reckons that "one of the hallmark struggles of modern dance is finding movement". Just as his family had always told stories using words and gestures, so even in his most abstract pieces he has something to say.

Inevitably, since Zane's death, grief and mourning have more often been his subject matter, but it is not just a personal thing. Zane's death led Jones to a greater commitment to the world about him, and he sees himself as tackling "the late 20th century's subtle hum of concern around the issue of mortality".

For Jones, making dance is "a great privilege. This is my religion, this thing that I do. To organise a chaotic universe is what religion is all about. I love to watch dance; I love to make something. But my muse is never purely dance."

● *Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Dance Company is at Sadler's Wells (071-278 8916) from tonight until April 16.*



MICHAEL O'NEILL

Bill T. Jones gets into full flight: "I love to make something. But my muse is never purely dance"

Underage and over here

Perth City Ballet
Cliffs Pavilion, Southend

ARE you tired of the sometimes peculiar little Russian companies which keep trotting round the regional theatres of Britain? Well, here for a change is a very peculiar Australian company, *John Percival writes.*

The chief peculiarity of Perth City Ballet becomes apparent within a few minutes of the curtain going up. Not at once, because *Gungka* begins with figures mysteriously silhouetted amid swirling mists. But once the lights come on, we notice that the boy dancing a solo is extremely young, and that the one who soon joins him looks not much older. The same is true of the little girl and her companion who take over for the next episode.

As the show goes on, without any sign of really mature dancers, the impression is that this must surely be basically a school company, made up of pupils and perhaps recent graduates. The publicity somehow fails to make any mention of this, which seems reprehensibly forgetful of the management. Some might say downright misleading.

The other peculiarity lies in the choreography, all by the company's founder and director, Diana Waldron. "The innovative dance style" claimed in their handbills turns out to be the application of naive, simple and repetitive groups of ballet steps to Australian themes.

Native Australian legend provides the subject but not the style of *Gungka*, in which Nari Lees, as the heroine who conquers her fear of love, looks too much like one of Edward Lear's young photographic models for comfort. *On the Beach* is a would-be comic romp, and *Picnic at Hanging Rock* is a cross between schoolgirl japes and a pseudo-*Giselle* finale.

The dancers are not bad, given the limitations of their inexperience and the material; but to think that they are ready for international touring is decidedly over-optimistic.

OPERA: In Paris, Kraus brings Werther to his rightful home

The true voice of the poet

Werther
Opéra Comique, Paris

Alfredo Kraus's Werther is one of the great operatic interpretations of our time. It is briefly on display in Paris this month. Massenet's account of the romantic poet more than half in love with death was the work Kraus chose for his inexplicably belated Paris stage debut in 1984. Then he sang it at the Opéra. Now it has returned to its proper home, the Opéra Comique, the ornately intimate turn-of-the century house where *Werther* had its first French performance just over a hundred years ago.

Kraus is one of the supreme singers of the French 19th-century repertoire and Massenet in particular. His Werther stands as a symbol of the Romantic Movement. Goethe's poet doomed and haughty, supremely egotistical, who sees everything as an extension of his own image. It matters not whether he is apostrophising nature in Act I, idealising Charlotte, who aspires to be little more than a Wetzlar housewife, or merely relishing the prospect of his own death.



Alfredo Kraus as the doomed and haughty Werther

One of the few sensible elements in Gérard Blin's eminently forgettable production is the way he puts Kraus and Werther's thoughts centre-stage. Massenet accords Werther a big aria in each of the first three acts, as well as the death scene as a *bonne bouche*. Kraus addresses them all to the audience in a display of seamless, lyrical singing rarely encountered. The phrasing is immaculate, with each line of verse woven into its partner. The *vers d'Ossian* in Act III brought the performance to a standstill.

Over the years Kraus has appeared with some mediocre Charlottes. But at the Comique, Martine Dupuy is a Wetzlar lady of class. Indeed, she is almost a Gainsborough lady, with her bearing cool and upright beneath her wide-brimmed flowered hat. Doe-like, she shies away from Werther's early advances, avoiding all physical contact until she succumbs on hearing those verses of Ossian. In every way she is a worthy partner.

Jean-Philippe's jovial Bailiff is the best of the rest of the cast. It is difficult to make much of Charlotte's tedious husband. Albert, and Didier Henry never sounded like succeeding. Catherine Dubosc's Sophie is the conventional chirpy songbird.

The sets by Veronique Seymat and Gérard Blin come from the Nancy Opéra and should be sent back there without delay. They have encased *Werther* in a series of bare concrete walls, which look as though they been hewn from London's South Bank. No sense of the changing seasons, which is crucial to the modest plot of *Werther*. Act III is especially ludicrous: a piano, a couple of Ossian books and a pistol case are plonked in limbo. The French Symphony Orchestra under Laurent Petitgirard too often sounded raw.

But never mind the showcase. Kraus is back at the Comique, where he triumphed eight years ago in Donizetti's *La Fille du régiment* and Dupuy is at his side for two more performances on April 17 and 20.

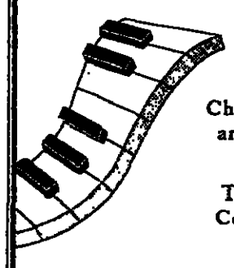
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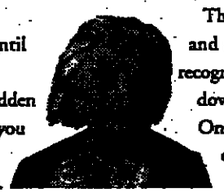
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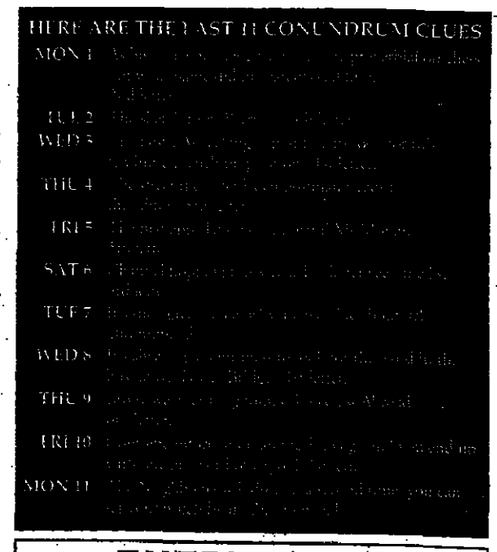
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Past failures prey on the minds of a downtrodden team with the upper hand

Day of reckoning for ailing England

FROM ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT, IN BRIDGETOWN

KEITH Fletcher has lost count of the sleepless nights he has suffered, fretting over his England team confronting yet another lost cause. But whether the manager slept soundly last night, with the unaccustomed luxury of a victory in view, is doubtful. With this team, on this tour, scope remains for a compelling fourth Test match to slip through their desperate fingers.

If the positions were reversed, coming out of yesterday's rest day, a West Indies win would seem pre-ordained. A lead of 222, with seven wickets standing and the benefit of bowling last on a pitch likely to keep increasingly low, is an advantage from which very few Tests are lost.

But this, remember, is England, the team which chased 194 to win in Trinidad and managed only 46 of them. To match the horror of that, they will need to set West Indies about 350 and lose by eight wickets, and it says everything about the relative records of these teams that nobody here is ready to dismiss the possibility.

England have lost seven consecutive overseas Test matches, mostly by overwhelming margins. West Indies have won 12 in succession on this Kensington Oval ground, and it would hurt them grievously to surrender such a sequence now, especially to opponents who, for reasons more social than sporting, inspire them as no other.

But, having detailed the need for caution, it must be said that England have much in their favour. Alec Stewart, Graeme Hick, Angus Fraser and the two umpires, Lloyd Barker and Darrell Hair, can all be numbered among their reasons to be cheerful this morning. Perhaps even Curtly Ambrose, though this may be tempting providence.

Ambrose can seldom have been less menacing than on Sunday evening, when West Indies were enduring one of their rare yet conspicuous sessions of sulky, sloppy cricket, and he looked for all the world as if he did not wish to bowl.

His rhythm was missing, his run-up misfiring and his delivery utterly lacking in that joyful spring. Unless he recaptures it all today, England have a wonderful chance to put the game out of reach, for, without Ambrose, this is no more than a moderate West Indies attack.

Much, though, depends on Stewart and Hick extending their stand, so far worth 92, through most of the morning. If they succeed, Stewart, 62 overnight, stands to become the first Englishman to make two centuries in a Test against West Indies. Sunil Gavaskar in 1979, for the second time, was the last of only three men to achieve the feat, Greg Chappell and Doug Walters, of Australia, completing the group.

Stewart has been impressively focused in this match and if his second innings has lacked the fluency of his first, it has more than atoned in application. When his judgment has lapsed and his instincts taken over, Stewart has chided himself fiercely, urging self-denial. It has already been quite a week for him, with a birthday, a century and his beloved Chelsea into the Cup final, but today his career could reach a new peak.

England's plan is to bat until tea, at least, hoping for a lead of 400. There is no wishful thinking about declarations and no need for quick runs. Two days remain, and if West Indies are left a little more than half of that for the fourth innings, it will suit England fine.

Then, the onus will switch to Fraser, for whom one rest day may have been insufficient to recharge batteries which run down quicker than of old. This time, he is going to need far better back-up than Chris Lewis and Andy Caddick provided in the first innings. "They must pull their finger out," Fletcher said bluntly. "Conditions are good for seam bowling, but they have only taken one wicket between them. Angus needs better support than that."

Lewis was guilty of regularly overstepping the popping crease on Saturday, though it was as nothing compared to the later transgressions of the West Indians. Their four fast bowlers have now conceded more than 60 no-balls in this game, a lack of professionalism which could cost them the match. They visibly resent it, too, for they are unaccustomed to having such strict umpiring in their own islands.

A pity, then, that the strictness has not extended to improving the dismal overrate that has scarred a wonderful occasion. In this, both sides must share the blame, for England managed a shameful 12 overs an hour on Saturday afternoon. Even with the absurd accommodation of subtracting time for wickets taken and drinks intervals, both integral parts of cricket, and even allowing for the withering heat here, the international match referee, John Reid, will be abdicating his duties if he does not inflict heavy fines.

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The English cricket season begins tomorrow but as play returns to the middle so the entry period for the first phase of our cricket competition, First Class XI, comes to a close. You have until noon tomorrow to enter. See page 6

REBECCA NADEN



Stewart hooks to the boundary during his second innings at Bridgetown

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M R Ramprakash c Chanderpaul b Walsh ..... 3 (20min, 12 balls)
R A Smith lbw b K Benjamin ..... 13 (46min, 41 balls, 1 six, 1 four)
G A Hick not out ..... 52 (121mn, 82 balls, 7 fours)
Extras (nb 26) 26
Total (3 wkts) 171

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Nigeria signal influence of Europe on African style



ROB HUGHES
Overseas Football

While Manchester United and Oldham Athletic used Wembley on Sunday to display organised denial of football talents — which is one reason Britain has no representative in the World Cup finals — a match far more important was being played in Tunis. Before a crowd of 35,000, including Pelé, Michel Platini and Bobby Charlton, Nigeria beat Zambia 2-1 to win the African nations' cup.

It is likely that the majority of British football followers were ignorant of what was taking place in the El Menzah Olympique stadium. There were two triumphs: Nigeria's was obvious enough, victorious preparation for their real test as a standard-bearer of Africa at the World Cup this summer; arguably, however, the greater achievement was that of Zambia. It it is a triumph that the Zambians could appear in the final at all less than 12 months after virtually their entire squad was killed in a plane crash.

Those who know the traumatic, and now triumphant, aftermath will appreciate that Ian Porterfield, a Scot banished by Chelsea, was the architect of Zambia's resurgence.

Understandably, the African final began in prayer. The Nigerians huddled, as they customarily do, to recite the Lord's Prayer and the Zambians, led by their captain, Kalusha Bwalya, one of the few players who missed the plane and thus saved his life, paid homage to their dead colleagues.

Nevertheless, for Zambia to have won would have been a miscarriage of justice. Nigeria are undoubtedly the new force in Africa, a new kind of African champion in that they come less innocent than, for example, the Cameroon team of 1990 and are less exotic and more organised than any previous African continent.

This is proof of the blending of European coaching to their natural skills. Typically, Rachidi Yekini, Africa's Player of the Year, is one of 33 Nigerians playing for European clubs. He is 30, settled in Portugal with Vitória Setubal and yet, if there were any English clubs aware of his strength and explosive goal-scoring potential, there would be time to purchase him and bring him to a land that speaks his own tongue.

Yekini is a towering, muscular, rapid centre forward. Those who appreciate that Daley Thompson, at one time the world's most complete athlete, has a Nigerian father, will be able to sense the pace and force with which Yekini operates. Like most of the Nigerians, he seems almost uninterested for some of the match, yet he was able to win five tournament matches in a fortnight by sudden, searing bursts out of languidity.

He has a right foot that can blister the target from 25 yards or more. However, that foot, in scoring one goal against Zaire during the quarter-finals, showed great delicacy. First, he cruised into position, then caressed the ball just once with his right boot and, before it fell to ground, struck it again so fiercely that no goalkeeper would have saved it.

By the final, Yekini was tiring. It was time for Clemens Westerhof, Nigeria's Dutch coach, to unveil one of Yekini's protégés, Emmanuel Amunike, a left winger employed by the Egyptian club, Zamalek, who came in to poach two goals in the final, the second topping off a move of nine Nigerian passes.

The Zambians were hardly bystanders. They had, in the third minute, caught Nigeria cold when the defender, Elijah Litana, was allowed to rise beyond the far post to head in a corner. This demonstrated Nigeria's fallibility in defence, but it came because Stephen Keshi, the 32-year-old defensive organiser, was injured.

Zambia, it has to be said, sought to get away with negative tactics, deploying only a single forward, Zeddy Saileti, and at least one of the defenders, Mordon Malitoli, taking chunks out of opponents' ankles. Making allowances for Zambia's romantic story, the British influence of coaching from a negative stance was rightly beaten. Nigeria had, in any case, beaten a far worthier challenger in the semi-finals in the Ivory Coast, a team inappropriately nicknamed "The Elephants".



Porterfield: architect

Yet, from this changing continent, where the coaches are mercenaries and the players are mined for foreign clubs like diamonds, those in power mimic the excesses that Europeans and South Americans have brought to football. Nigeria's players, maturing talents such as the forward, Daniel Amokachi, and the playmaker, Augustine Okocha, wear gleaming diamond earrings, presents from the state for having won the world junior championship in China.

Sylvanus Akinwumi, the Nigerian sports minister, announced after the final: "We are planning a great party for the team." Ah, but will the team be present? The players are scattered in a dozen nations and teams such as Eintracht Frankfurt will not want a day longer to play or train without such an emerging playmaker as Okocha, in whose absence they have all but surrendered the German league title.

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Miami	40	35	.533	12½
New Jersey	40	35	.533	12½
Boston	28	46	.378	24
Philadelphia	23	52	.307	29½
Washington	22	53	.293	30½
Central division				
*Atlanta	52	23	.693	-
*Chicago	51	24	.680	1
*Cleveland	42	33	.560	10
Indiana	39	35	.527	12½
Charlotte	35	39	.473	16½
Detroit	20	54	.270	31½
Milwaukee	19	55	.257	32½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Midwest division				
*Houston	54	20	.730	-
*San Antonio	52	23	.693	2½
*Utah	47	28	.627	7½
Denver	37	37	.500	17
Minnesota	20	54	.270	34
Dallas	9	65	.122	45
Pacific division				
†Seattle	57	18	.760	-
*Phoenix	49	26	.653	8
*Portland	45	30	.600	12
*Golden State	43	31	.581	13½
LA Lakers	33	41	.446	23½
LA Clippers	26	48	.351	30½
Sacramento	25	49	.338	31½

† Won divisional title * Won play-off place

BOWLS

MELTON MOWBRAY: EIBA Championships: Fours: Quarter-finals: Clay of Ely (G Harlow) bt Kingsthorpe (M Sharpe) 19-15; Paddington (S Holmes) bt Nottingham (R Dickens) 24-19; Tilbury (G Pereira) bt Ipswich (R Cutts) 18-16; Clyde (G Smith) bt East Dorset (R Morgan) 24-14. Semi-finals: Paddington bt City of Ely 19-16, Cyphers bt Tilbury 24-19. Triples: First round: Ipswich (A Wyatt) bt Birmingham (J Godfrey) 22-11; Ilminster (N Rowe) bt Luton (D Sheerer) 17-10; Stanley (J Learmont) bt Alfreley (G Standley) 17-14, Camberley (P Short) bt Southend (G Cable) 19-8; Wey Valley (P Vermeacopoulos) bt Wellingborough (M Allen) 18-14; Church Gresley (J Barnett) bt Worthing Pavilion (R Robers) 21-11; Thornaby (G Skipp) bt British Cellophane (J Dawes) 26-13; Blackpool Borough (N Burrows) bt Mote Pk (R Jenkins) 22-16; Teignbridge (J Mickham) bt Hermitage Dell (I Dames) 25-11; Iss (R Mackie) bt City of Ely (T G Day) 19-10; Barking (H Reading) bt Cambridge Pk (G Little) 23-20; Cyphers (G Smith) bt Preston, Brighton (K Renwick) 25-12; Boston (M Tomlin) bt County Arts Norwich (P Woodcock) 24-6; Plymouth Mayflower (P Downs) bt Nottingham (S Clark) 21-15, Malvern Hills (I Maddox) bt Dulverton (G Vipond) 19-17; Clevedon (G Luker) bt Hull and District (J Harrison) 26-4.

OGWR, Mid Glamorgan: WIBA championships: Singles: Semi-finals: J Price (Swansea) bt B Broad (Merthyr Tydfil) 21-9; J Greenslade (Cardiff) bt R Weale (Radnorshire) 21-15. Final: Price bt Greenslade 21-20 Pairs: Semi-finals: P Johnson and M Kent (Ogwr) bt J R Davies and D Wilkins (Port Talbot) 20-14, C Piper and I Morgan (Port Talbot) bt B Chapman and R Jenkins (Earlswood) 26-16. Final: Ogwr bt Port Talbot 21-18. Triples: Semi-finals: Pembrokeshire (G Jones) bt Swansea (S Rees) 20-19; Ogwr (D Newell) bt Taff/Ely (C Robinson) 18-17. Final: Pembrokeshire bt Ogwr 22-9. Fours: Semi-finals: Swansea (J Price) bt Radnorshire (R Weale) 23-15; Llanelli (D Richards) bt Flint (J Hunt) 26-16. Final: Swansea bt Llanelli 27-10. SWIBA INTER-CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP: Final: Lincolnshire bt Hampshire 133-90.

WESSEX LEAGUE: Quarter-finals: Cannel bt Street 108-54, British Cellophane bt Dolphin 85-72; Dorchester bt Carterton 96-61; Cleveland bt Bentham 75-74

CRICKET

PLYMOUTH: Leeward Islands: Tour match (47 overs): Yorkshire 204-4 (M D Moxon 101) Montserrat 188-7. Yorkshire won by 16 runs.

FOOTBALL

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Millwall 1 Ipswich 1.

BRAZILIAN LEAGUE: São Paulo Championship: Palmeiras 2 União São João 0; Rio Branco 3 Portuguesa 1; Novorizontino 4 Mogimmm 1; Ituano 2 America 0, Santo André 1 Ponte Preta 0; Guarani 3 Bragantino 1; Corinthians 4 Ponte Preta 0; Mogmimm 2 Guarani 1 , America 0 Ferroviaria 0; Ituano 2 Novorizontino 2; União São João 0 Santo André 0; São Paulo 0 Santos 0; Palmeiras 0 Portuguesa 0, Bragantino 2 Rio Branco 0.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE CUP: Semi-final: Arsenal 4 Leasowe Pacific 1.

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ICE HOCKEY

NATIONAL LEAGUE: NY Islanders 6 NY Rangers 4; Philadelphia 3 Boston 4; St Louis 2 Dallas 2; Hartford 6 Tampa Bay 4; Chicago 2 Los Angeles 1; Buffalo 4 Quebec 1; Florida 2 New Jersey 2 (OT); Toronto 7 Winnipeg 0; San Jose 3 Vancouver 1; Edmonton 4 Detroit 3.

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Northeast division						
*Pittsburgh	43	27	13	295	265	99
*Buffalo	43	30	9	276	212	95
*Boston	41	28	13	279	249	95
*Montreal	40	28	14	280	238	94
Quebec	23	41	7	270	311	74
Hartford	26	47	9	223	283	61
Ottawa	14	58	9	200	381	37
Atlantic division						
†NY Rangers	51	24	7	294	227	109
*New Jersey	46	24	12	300	215	104
*Washington	37	35	10	270	258	84
NY Islanders	36	35	12	279	260	82
Florida	32	33	17	227	227	81
Philadelphia	34	36	9	280	310	77
Tampa Bay	29	42	11	219	247	69

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Central division						
*Detroit	45	29	8	344	271	98
*Toronto	42	28	12	271	235	96
*Dallas	40	29	13	273	257	93
*St Louis	39	32	11	262	273	89
*Chicago	38	35	9	246	231	85
Winnipeg	24	46	12	241	337	57
Pacific division						
†Calgary	41	28	13	295	250	95
*Vancouver	40	40	3	277	276	83
*San Jose	33	35	15	250	263	81
Anaheim	33	44	5	228	246	71
Los Angeles	26	45	11	266	316	63
Edmonton	26	45	12	257	301	62

† Won divisional title * Won play-off place

TENNIS

AMELIA ISLAND, Florida: Women's tournament: Final: A Sánchez Vicario (Sp) bt G Sabatini (Arg) 6-1, 6-3.

HONG KONG: Men's tournament: First round: J Tarango (US) bt J Stark (US) 6-2, 6-3; O Camporese (It) bt J Frana (Arg) 6-4, 6-3; S Matsuoka (Japan) bt M Rush (Wan) 7-5, 6-4; A Olmedo (Peru) bt B Steven (NZ) 3-6, 7-6, 6-4; G Ruseduko (Can) bt N Borwick (Aus) 4-6, 6-3, 6-3; A Mansdorf (Isr) bt S Black (Zim) 6-4, 6-3; A Krickstein (US) bt A Ampoinsch (Austria) 6-2, 6-2; M Damm (Cz) bt Chang Eui-jong (S Kor) 6-1, 6-2.

YACHTING

WHITEBREAD ROUND THE WORLD RACE: Leading positions (at 14:00 GMT yesterday, with miles to Fort Lauderdale): Whitbread 60 class: 1, Yamaha (R Field, NZ) 3,490 miles; 2, Intrum Justitia (L Smith, Eur) 3,605; 3, Brookfield (G Maisto, It) 3,526; 4, Winston (B Butterworth, US) 3,538; 5, Gatorade (Pescarolos (J de la Cardaira, Spl) 3,534; 6, Heineken (D Riley, US) 3,599; 7, Heiman Schaldachny (E Platon, Ukr) 3,649; 8, Odessa (A Verbe, Ukr) 3,761. Maxi class: 1, Merit Cup (P Fehlmann, Switz) 3,514; 2, New Zealand Endeavour (G Dalton, NZ) 3,579; 3, La Poste (E Tabarly, Fr) 3,584; 4, Uruguay Natural (G Vanzini, Uru) 3,752.

WEIGHTLIFTING

LIAOYANG, China: 54kg: Snatch: Yang Bin (China) 123.5kg (world record).

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FOOTBALL

European Cup Winners' Cup
Semi-final, second leg
Arsenal (1) v Paris Saint-Germain (1) ...

Uefa Cup
Semi-finals, second leg
Internazionale (It) (2) v Cagliari (It) (3) ..
Karlsruhe (Ger) (0) v
Salzburg (Austria) (0) ll

Endsleigh Insurance League
First division
Barnsley v Watford (7.45) .....
Bolton v Southend .....
Grimsby v Sunderland (7.45) .....
Luton v Wolverhampton (7.45) .....
Notts County v Tranmere (7.45) .....
Oxford Utd v
West Bromwich Albion (7.45) .....
Second division
Barnet v Reading
(all ticket, 7.45) .....
Brighton v Cardiff (7.45) .....
Huddersfield v Wrexham .....
Port Vale v Rotherham (7.45) .....
Swansea v Stockport .....
Third division
Gillingham v Preston (7.45) .....
Rochdale v Shrewsbury (8.0) .....
Postponed: Crewe v Wigan.

GM Vauxhall Conference
Altrincham v Runcorn .....
Bath v Woking .....
Northwich v Gateshead .....
Stalybridge v Southport .....
Telford v Bromsgrove .....

Tennents Scottish Cup
Semi-final replay
Aberdeen v Dundee Utd .....

Scottish League
First division
Dumbarton v Dunfermline .....
Second division
Alloa v Queen's Park .....

DRINKWISE CUP: Final, first leg: Macclesfield v Yeovil.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Colwyn Bay v Bridlington. Postponed: Droylsden v Buxton. First division: Farsley Celtic v Eastwood; Gretna v Guiseley. First division cup: Semi-final, second leg: Goole v Ashton Utd.

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Bashley v Trowbridge (7.45); Nuneaton v Dorchester (7.45); Slimbourne v Weston-super-Mare v Bilston. Southern division: Ashford v Salisbury City; Braintree v Gravesend and Northfleet; Buckingham v Baldock; Bury v Erith and Belvedere; Poole v Dunstable.

DIADORA LEAGUE: First division: Bognor Regis v Billericay; Heybridge Swifts v Maidenhead Utd; Staines v Worthing; Tooting and Mitcham v Bishop's Stortford; Wembley v Walton and Hersham. Second division: Hampton v Ware; Hungerford v Leatherhead; Lewes v Tilbury; Metropolitan Police v Aldershot; Newbury v Malden Vale; Rainham v Witham; Thame Utd v Aveley. Third division: Chesham v Southall; Cove v Clapton; Harefield Utd v Oxford City; Northwood v Feltham and Hounslow. B. Carlsberg Cup: Semi-final: Hendon v Dulwich Hamlet. Carlsberg Trophy: Semi-final: Chertsey v Banstead Athletic.

KONICA LEAGUE OF WALES: Bangor v Mold; Cwmbran v Ebbw Vale; Llansantffraid v Caersws; Messteg Park v Allan Udio.

PONTINS LEAGUE: First division: Liverpool v Blackburn (7.0). Second division: Oldham v Hull (7.0).

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Bristol City v Luton; QPR v Wimbledon (7.0, at Harrow Borough). Second division: Birmingham v Bournemouth (7.0).

CARLING NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Maine Road v Atherton LR.

FA YOUTH CUP: Semi-final, second leg: Millwall (2) v Middlesbrough (2).

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Exmouth v Frome; Liskeard Athletic v Minehead, Merrymead Utd v Paulton Rovers; Odd Down v Chippenham.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Armthorpe Welfare v Stocksbridge PS; Belper v Brigg; North Ferriby v Lincoln Utd (at Craven); Ossett Albion v Hucknall; Pickering v Glasshoughton Welfare; Thackley v Pontefract Colliery.

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCH: Redruth v Newquay Hornets (6.30).

RUGBY LEAGUE

Stones Bitter Championship
Bradford v Wigan (7.45) .....

NATIONAL CONFERENCE: Premier division: Wigan St Patricks v Leigh MW (6.30).

OTHER SPORT

BASKETBALL: Budweiser League play-offs: Quarter-final, second leg: Manchester Giants v Birmingham Bullets (8.0).

GOLF: Father and sons event, West Hill.

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April 12	National Westminster Bank (FIS) Bristol	Cotswold Edge	24
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WORD-WATCHING

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VAPULATION
(c) A beating or flogging, also transferred, from *vapulat-* the participle stem of the Latin *vapulāre* to be beaten: "Like an Offender at a Whipping-Post, the more importunate he seems for their favourable usage, the severer Vapulation they are to exercise upon him."

YLANG-YLANG
(a) An anonaceous tree (*Canangium odoratum*) of Malaysia, the Philippines, etc., with fragrant greenish-yellow flowers from which a perfume is distilled; hence the perfume itself. From the Tagalog *dilang-ilang*. "Oxidation of Essential Oils. *Citronella* and *ylang-ylang* developed no hydrogen peroxide."

APORIA
(b) Patently insincere professings, eg by a public speaker, of an inability to know how to begin, what to say, etc., from the Greek rhetorical term. "Aporia is a figure whereby the Speaker sheweth that he doubteth, either where to begin for the multitude of matters, or what to say in some strange or ambiguous thing."

BELLIBONE
(c) A fair maid, a bonny lass, a pretty woman, defined in Dr Johnson's *Dictionary* as "a woman excelling both in beauty and *bonne*, or a humorous perversion of *bonnibel*, Spenser. *Shepherd's Calendar*, 1579: "I saw the bouncing Bellibone."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE
1 Qxd7+! Kxd7 2 b7 Qxd5+ (2 ... Qb2 or 2 ... Qb4 run into 3 Rh3) 3 R8+ winning.

POOLS FORECAST

Saturday, April 16
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FA PREMIERSHIP
1 Arsenal v Chelsea
2 Coventry v Sheff Wed
2 Liverpool v Newcastle
1 Man City v Norwich
1 Oldham v West Ham
X QPR v Everton
2 South'pton v Blackburn

Not on coupons: Ipswich Town v Swindon Town; Leeds United v Tottenham Hotspur (Sunday); Sheffield United v Aston Villa, Wimbledon v Manchester United

FIRST DIVISION
X Barnsley v Oxford
1 Birmingham v Bristol C
1 Leicester v Grimsby
X Middlesbro v Portsm'th
X Notts Co v Wolves
2 Peterborough v Bolton
1 Watford v Southend
X West Brom v Tranmere

Not on coupons: Derby County v Charlton Athletic, Luton Town v Crystal Palace; Millwall v Nottingham Forest (Sunday), Sunderland v Stoke City

SECOND DIVISION
1 Barnet v Hartlepool
X Bristol R v York
1 Burnley v Swansea
1 Cardiff v Brentford
1 Fulham v Exeter
1 Hull v Blackpool
2 Layton O v Stockport
1 Plymouth v Cambridge
1 Port Vale v Bourn'm'th
1 Reading v Rotherham
X Wrexham v Brighton

Not on coupons: Huddersfield v Bradford (Sunday)

THIRD DIVISION
2 Bury v Chester
1 Colchester v Darlington
2 Crewe v Shrewsbury
2 Hereford v Gillingham
X Lincoln v Carlisle
1 Mansfield v Rochdale
2 North'pton v Torquay
1 Preston v Walsall
2 Scarboro v Wycombe
1 Scunthorpe v Doncaster
X Wigan v Chest'field

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE
PREMIER DIVISION
X Accrington v Hyde
1 Barrow v Buxton
1 Emley v Horwich
2 Knowsley v Boston

SCOTTISH PREMIER
X Aberdeen v Motherwell
1 Dundee Utd v Hibernian
1 Hearts v Dundee
2 Kilmarnock v Celtic
1 Rangers v Raith
X St Johnstone v Partick

SCOTTISH FIRST
1 Airdrie v Dumbarton
2 Brechin v St Mirren
2 Clyde v Falkirk
1 Clydebank v Stirling
1 Dunf'mline v Hamilton
2 Morton v Ayr

SCOTTISH SECOND
1 Alloa v Cowdenb'th
1 Berwick v Albion
2 East Fife v Q of Sth
X Forfar v E Stirling
2 Queen's Pk v Meadwbk

Not on coupons: Stenhousemuir v Montrose; Stranraer v Arbroath

TREBLE CHANCE (home teams): Queens Park Rangers, Barnsley, Middlesbrough, Notts County, West Brom, Bristol Rovers, Lincoln, Mansfield, Wigan, Accrington, Aberdeen, St Johnstone

BEST DRAWS: Barnsley, Middlesbrough, Notts County, West Brom, Lincoln.

AWAYS: Sheffield Wednesday, Blackburn, Bolton, Stockport, Gillingham

HOMES: Birmingham, Barnet, Cardiff, Hull, Colchester, Scunthorpe, Barrow, Emley, Rangers, Airdrie, Alloa, Berwick

FIXED ODDS: Homes: Birmingham, Hull, Scunthorpe, Barrow, Airdrie. Aways: Blackburn, Stockport, St Mirren. Draws: Barnsley, West Brom, Lincoln

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Headquarters faces wind of change

Peter Player, the progressive chairman of Newmarket, has several ideas to improve the two courses. Richard Evans reports

At first sight, Peter Player does not appear like a chap who is passionate about change, let alone radical reform and modernisation.

Tall and with distinguished looks, the 52-year-old former officer in the Scots Greys is now a successful owner of racehorses and the Whatton Manor Stud in Nottinghamshire, a senior member of the Jockey Club and pillar of the racing establishment.

It was those qualities which contributed, no doubt, to him taking over earlier this year from Sir Thomas Pilkington, senior steward elect of the Jockey Club, as chairman of the two Newmarket racecourses.

However, as racing connoisseurs head this afternoon for the windswept spaces of Headquarters and the start of the three-day Craven meeting, Player is already brimful with ideas for improving two courses where the sometimes overbearing weight of tradition has not always proved beneficial to existing racegoers, nor conducive to attracting new spectators.

He talks of reopening a round racecourse, smaller than the oval Sefton track which was used until the Seventies; looking at the possibility of an all-weather track, improving the lot of customers, holding fashion shows on race days, increasing the number of evening meetings, widening and splitting the Rowley Mile course into two and much more besides.

Understandably, he is anxious not to alarm racing stalwarts and is quick to acknowledge the value of tradition — provided it does not thwart necessary change: "I have done a lot of listening and counselled many people's opinions since I knew last November I would become chairman of Newmarket. There comes a time when you have to sit back and take a few decisions as to which way you will go.

"I think a lot of Newmarket's tradition is sacrosanct and of crucial importance, but that should not stop you being progressive in many other aspects of what you are trying to achieve. You have to modernise your product because, if you do not, we all know what happens. The guys who make bowler hats are not exactly overrun with orders, are they?"

With increasing competition for people's leisure time and money, from other sports as well as rival racecourses, Player knows Newmarket cannot afford to rest on its laurels and assume the sobriquet of Headquarters makes everything dandy: "I know it is difficult, given the expertise of courses like Goodwood and Sandown, but I will be very disappointed if we are not voted racecourse of the year within the next five years — something we have not achieved for a long time."

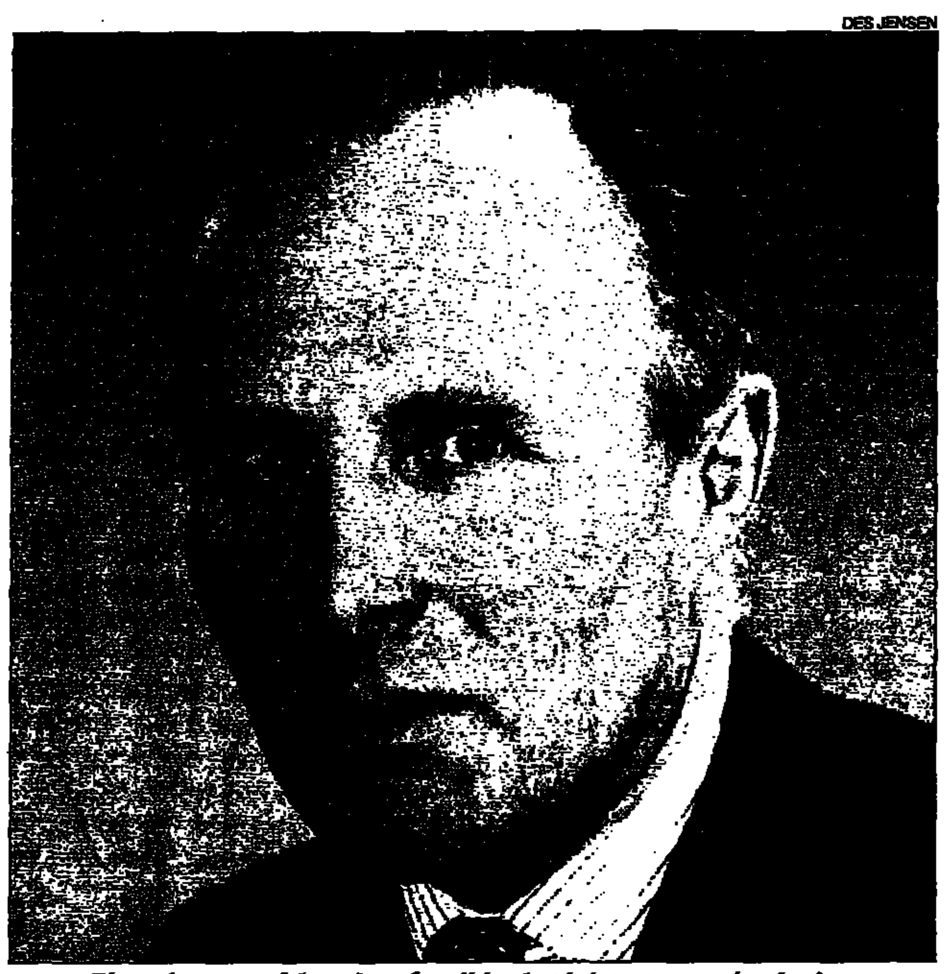
The £9 million and £3.5 million spent on the Rowley Mile and July courses respectively since 1987 have improved facilities, but bricks and mortar alone do not give a racecourse warmth or customer appeal.

Player, who cites York as one of his favourite racing venues, knows what he is after: "When I go racing I want to feel welcome and comfortable. I want value for money and atmosphere. It is the general ambience. To go away with a satisfied inner glow and think that was really good: we were not ripped off, we saw a lot of friends in lovely surroundings where everybody was cheerful and polite."

With that in mind, perhaps, Player will tomorrow speak to every gateman, car park attendant and member of staff who comes into contact with spectators. The message will be friendly but firm.

"In no way am I intending to criticise what has gone on before. There is no point in looking back. What is done is done. What is important is today and the future.

"The staff upfront are crucial because they are the people our customers come into contact with. I want them to be nice and cheerful and greet customers as they would like to be treated when they go out to the pub, cinema, restaurant or on holiday."



DES JENSEN

Player is aware of the value of tradition but is intent on modernisation

Advance planning restricts how much physical change Player can carry out this year, although the go-ahead has been given to refurbishing accommodation for stable lasses. A giant screen in front of the grandstand to enable spectators to see distant action will be in use for 17 of the 31 racedays.

Meanwhile, he is talking to caterers: "Some people may want to spent £50 on a lunch; a lot more would rather spend far less." Winning owners will be given special treatment: "At Nottingham, where I was chairman, it didn't matter if it was Lord Howard de Walden or Bill Bloggs; they were offered a video of their race and a drink while they watched it. That will be put in place here as soon as possible."

He wants to enable more spectators to see the winner's enclosure on the July course, soften the harsh image of the Rowley Mile with some discreetly positioned trees and do more to attract younger spectators, families and the elderly for mid-week meetings.

Player does not pretend to be "a clever clogs with all the answers". He is expecting a "bloody nose" to flow from some of his ideas. But his objective is clear: "I want Newmarket to be fun and for people to get a real buzz when they know they are coming here. Newmarket must be the place everybody aspires to whether they be spectator, jockey, trainer or owner."

One thing is certain. The spring breeze which whistles across the Rowley Mile this afternoon will be nothing compared to the much-needed wind of change to hit Headquarters between now and the end of the century.

Glatisant to state Guineas case

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TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

2.35: Ataared has obvious claims judged on his only racecourse start. The Danzig colt was narrowly beaten by Forest Gazelle over course and distance, with Owington more than three lengths back in third. Nevertheless, **Numbered Account** can oblige. He, too, showed promise when third behind Tzu'Mu on his only outing over this trip last year. Istibshar started favourite for her maiden and shaped well in fourth. However, the recent weather has been unkind to fillies.

3.05: Rafferty's Rules is given a narrow vote over Midhish, Splice and Montendre. The three-year-old ran into trouble when fouth at Doncaster last month, but for which he might have finished ahead of Amron and Montendre. Although worse off at the weights today, he has scope to improve. Montendre, Midhish and course specialist Splice, winner of this 12 months ago, appear closely matched on a number of form lines. Preference is for Midhish, who may still be improving. Big Sky and Chaddleworth step up in class.

3.40: Fairy Heights and Prophecy, both group one winners, are penalised 5lb for their efforts and may find it hard to cope with the unbeaten **Glatisant**. Injury curtailed what had been a progressive juvenile career, but for which Glatisant might have proved the best in her division. She can illustrate the point in this 1,000 Guineas trial. Fairy Heights, like Mehthaaf, may prefer a stiffer test of stamina, while Prophecy's Cheveley Park victory was devalued when Lemon Souffle was injured in running. Red Rita, sure to be fit enough, has place prospects. Ballerina is an unknown quantity but is almost certainly better than the bare bones of her Leicester victory, her only start to date.

4.15: Lucky Guest goes well fresh, as he showed when bolting up on his seasonal debut 12 months ago. The ground and trip will suit this seven-year-old and he comes from a stable in form. He remains attractively handicapped. Windrush Lady should finish much closer to Wainwright than she did in the Lincoln, where she raced down the unfavoured stands' side. However, both may struggle over this extra distance. Conversely, Spin Doctor's best form is over further. Let's Get Lost has the benefit of a recent outing.

JULIAN MUSCAT

NEWMARKET

THUNDERER

2.00 Ikis Girl. 2.35 Night Bell. 3.05 **MONTENDRE** (nap). 3.40 Prophecy. 4.15 Let's Get Lost. 4.50 Wizard King. 5.25 Century.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.50 **TEETOTALLER.**

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.35 **NIGHT BELL** (nap). 4.50 Faras Elnaas. 5.25 Century.

GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 ... B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing: J if jumps, F if flat. (B — blinkers. V — visor. H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner. D — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard. G — good. S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

GOING: GOOD DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE SIS

2.00 CONSTANT SECURITY MAIDEN STAKES
(3-Y-O: £4,464: 1m 4f) (12 runners)

101 (7) 6-2 APACHE PLUME 17 (BF) (Shaikh Mohammed) G Harwood 9-0 ... R Cochrane 95
102 (5) 0-5 CUANGO 17 (Mrs B Facchino) R Hollinshead 9-0 ... S Perks 83
103 (8) 3- ENTEFAAL 213 (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 9-0 ... W Carson 63
104 (6) 0- FOIL STONE 158 (Lady Howard de Walden) Mrs J Cecil 9-0 ... Paul Eddery 86
105 (12) 204- MR ARTISTIC 142 (G Mazza) P Kelleway 9-0 ... Pat Eddery [top]
106 (3) 0- MUNTAR 195 (H Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 9-0 ... R Hills –
107 (11) NEW REPUTATION (R Sangster) B Hills 9-0 ... M Hills –
108 (9) POLTARF (Shaikh Mohammed) H Cecil 9-0 ... W Ryan –
109 (4) 0-0 SEA RAVEN 10 (Shaikh Mohammed) J Gosden 9-0 ... L Dettori –
110 (2) SUPERLUMINAL (W Gredley) C Brittain 9-0 ... M Roberts –
111 (1) 4- IKIS GIRL 180 (I Stewart) M Bell 8-9 ... M Fenton (3) 93
112 (10) 52- TRIPLE TIE 175 (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 8-9 ... J Reid 96

BETTING: 3-1 Poltarf, 5-1 Ikis Girl, Mr Artistic, 6-1 Superluminal, Triple Tie, 8-1 Apache Plume, Foil Stone, New Reputation, 10-1 Muntar, 14-1 Sea Raven, 16-1 others.

1993: OAKMEAD 8-9 J Reid (8-1) P Chapple-Hyam 10 ran

2.35 MULTIYORK STETCHWORTH MAIDEN STAKES
C4
(3-Y-O: £4,581: 6f) (15 runners)

201 (14) 2- ATAARED 255 (H Al-Maktoum) A Scott 9-0 ... W Carson 91
202 (15) BLUE VOYAGE (Shaikh Mohammed) J Fanshawe 9-0 ... W Ryan –
203 (8) 60- EBONY BLAZE 173 (Mrs S Robins) G Lewis 9-0 ... B Raymond 68
204 (5) NIGHT BELL (Shaikh Mohammed) J Gosden 9-0 ... L Dettori –
205 (7) 3- NUMBERED ACCOUNT 179 (Highclere Racing Ltd) W Haggas 9-0 ... M Hills 88
206 (4) 00- RINGMASTER 167 (D Fisher) M Tompkins 9-0 ... S Mulvey (7) 64
207 (11) STRATUM (F Salman) R Hannon 9-0 ... Pat Eddery –
208 (2) 6-0 TITANIUM HONDA 17 (Eddy Grimstead Honda Ltd) C Brittain 9-0 ... M Roberts –
209 (13) WAIKIKI BEACH (K Higson) G Moore 9-0 ... Paul Eddery –
210 (9) 603- WESTERN GENERAL 172 (Mrs J McAllister) W Jarvis 9-0 ... P Robinson [top]
211 (6) BRAVE VANESSA (Shaikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) M Stoute 8-9 ... W R Swinburn –
212 (10) 65- HIPS'N HAWS 351 (Mrs G Rowland-Clark) M Bell 8-9 ... M Fenton (3) –
213 (12) 4- ISTIBSHAR 192 (H Al-Maktoum) J Gosden 8-9 ... R Hills 84
214 (3) 0- NAIS 169 (Mrs P Karpidas) M Bell 8-9 ... R Mullen (7) –
215 (1) ROSES GALORE (N Abbott) K McAuliffe 8-9 ... D Holland –

BETTING: 6-4 Night Bell, 5-1 Brave Vanessa, 6-1 Ataared, 8-1 Istibshar, Western General, 10-1 Stratum, Numbered Account, 12-1 Blue Voyage, 16-1 Western General, 20-1 others.

1993: MATILA 8-9 R Hills (10-1) R Armstrong 7 ran

FORM FOCUS

ATAARED ½l 2nd of 11 to Forest Gazelle in maiden over course and distance (good). NIGHT BELL is a half-brother to 7f scorer Stage Hand. NUMBERED ACCOUNT 2¾l 3rd of 19 to Tzu'Mu in maiden over course and distance (good to soft). STRATUM is half-brother to several winners including the smart 7f/1m winner Silk Petal. WESTERN GENERAL 1l 3rd of 15 to Dance Turn in maiden at Doncaster (7f, good). ISTIBSHAR 1¾l 4th of 11 to Finger Of Light in maiden over course and distance (good to soft). NAIS 10l 8th of 15 to Primo Stampari in maiden at Leicester (6f, good to soft). HIPS'N HAWS 8l 6th of 13 to Antonia's Folly in maiden at Windsor (5f 10yd, good to soft).
Selection: WESTERN GENERAL

3.05 ABERNANT STAKES
C4
(Listed race: £10,512: 6f) (13 runners)

301 (7) 261/60 METAL STORM 8 (G,S) (A Richards) C Brittain 6-9-8 ... M Roberts 60
302 (5) 60015-1 AMRON 17 (D,F,G,S) (R Peebles) J Berry 7-9-6 ... N Carlisle 65
303 (12) 25815-2 MONTENDRE 17 (CD,F,G) (D Mort) M McCormack 7-9-6 ... Pat Eddery [top]
304 (9) 61- BIG SKY 346 (CD,G) (L Marinopoulos) H Cecil 4-9-2 ... W Ryan 74
305 (6) 212314- CALL ME I'M BLUE 194 (C,D,G,S) (Harsh (Tipping Gears)) N Tinkler 4-9-2 ... L Piggott 92
306 (3) 1/603- CHADDLEWORTH 333 (D,F) (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 4-9-2 ... J Reid 86
307 (11) 032100- MASTER PLANNER 183 (CD,F,G) (R Cyzer) C Cyzer 5-9-2 ... J D Smith 87
308 (1) 20233-1 MIDHISH 8 (D,G,S) (S Suhail) B Hanbury 4-9-2 ... W R Swinburn 98
309 (13) 1/6445- SERIOUS 164 (CD,G) (Mrs D Haynes) M Stoute 4-9-2 ... W Carson 87
310 (2) 454020- SPLICE 178 (CD,F,G) (Cheveley Park Stud) J Fanshawe 5-9-1 ... L Dettori 95
311 (4) 32/1530- FIRST VEIL 206 (G) (R Tooth) D Elsworth 4-8-11 ... J Williams 77
312 (10) 04116-4 RAFFERTY'S RULES 17 (CD,BF,S) (J Sadars) Mrs J Ramsden 3-8-3 ... K Fallon 86
313 (8) 3211- PETULA 241 (D,F,G) (M Khan) M Bell 3-8-2 ... M Hills 91

BETTING: 7-2 Rafferty's Rules, 4-1 Midhish, 5-1 Montendre, 11-2 Splice, 12-1 Big Sky, Chaddleworth, Petula, 14-1 Call Me I'm Blue, 16-1 Amron, Serious, 33-1 Master Planner, 50-1 First Veil, Metal Storm.

1993: SPLICE 4-8-11 W R Swinburn (6-1) J Fanshawe 7 ran

FORM FOCUS

AMRON beat MONTENDRE (5lb better off) head in 12-runner listed race at Doncaster (6f, good) with RAFFERTY'S RULES (5lb better off), unlucky in running, 1¾l 4th. BIG SKY beat Putout 1½l in 9-runner maiden over course and distance (good). CHADDLEWORTH 15l 10th of 14 to Zafonic in group I 2,000 Guineas here (1m, good) on penultimate start. MASTER PLANNER beat Brecton Abby ¾l in 15-runner handicap at York (6f, good to firm). MIDHISH beat Duplicity 3½l in 6-runner conditions race at Kempton (6f, soft). SPLICE ½l 2nd of 10 to My-O-My in listed race here (5f, good) with CALL ME I'M BLUE 1l 4th. PETULA beat Stimulant 1½l in 7-runner listed race at Newbury (5f 34yd, good to firm). SERIOUS, ted for six furlongs, 5l 5th of 9 to Mellottie in listed race here (1m, good).
Selection: MIDHISH

3.40 SHADWELL STUD NELL GWYN STAKES
C4
(Group III: 3-Y-O fillies: £20,580: 7f) (12 runners)

401 (6) 01112- FAIRY HEIGHTS 171 (CD,F,S) (F Golding) N Callaghan 9-0 ... L Dettori 95
402 (5) 15511- PROPHECY 195 (C,F,S) (K Abdulla) J Gosden 9-0 ... Pat Eddery 98
403 (2) 11- GLATISANT 228 (D,G) (Sir Philip Oppenheimer) G Wragg 8-12 ... M Hills 93
404 (8) 1- BALLERINA 246 (D,F) (Lord Weinstock) M Stoute 8-9 ... W R Swinburn 66
405 (4) 21125- BLUE SIREN 192 (G,S) (J Smith) I Balding 8-9 ... B Raymond 92
406 (9) 6142-4 FAWAAKEH 10 (F) (H Al-Maktoum) R Armstrong 8-9 ... R Hills 78
407 (3) 3531- LUANA 179 (C,S) (S Macaro) C Brittain 8-9 ... M Roberts 87
408 (7) 4133- MEHTHAAF 191 (S) (H Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 8-9 ... W Carson [top]
409 (10) 6113- REASON TO DANCE 179 (G) (Mrs O Jolly) D Elsworth 8-9 ... R Cochrane 89
410 (12) 322- RED RITA 282 (T Brady) P Kelleway 8-9 ... T Quinn 91
411 (11) 110234- ROHITA 195 (F,G) (B Taylor) M Channon 8-9 ... K Darley 89
412 (1) 210- SALVEZZA 179 (S) (Skyfine Racing Ltd) A Foster 8-9 ... J Fortune 73

BETTING: 3-1 Mehthaaf, 7-2 Fairy Heights, 9-2 Prophecy, 5-1 Glatisant, 10-1 Rohita, 12-1 Ballerina, Blue Siren, Luana, Reason To Dance, 14-1 others.

1993: NICHE 9-0 L Piggott (11-1) R Hannon 8 ran

FORM FOCUS

FAIRY HEIGHTS 1l 2nd of 9 to King's Theatre in group I Racing Post Trophy at Doncaster (1m, good). PROPHECY beat Risky ½l in 6-runner group I Cheveley Park Stakes here (6f, good to soft) with ROHITA (5lb better off) 5½l 4th. GLATISANT beat Wild Planet head in group III Prestige Stakes at Goodwood (7f, good). BALLERINA beat Shortfall 2l in 14-runner maiden at Leicester (7f, good to firm). LUANA beat Ramani 3½l in 17-runner maiden here (6f, good to soft). MEHTHAAF 1l 3rd of 8 to Sierra Madre in group I Prix Marcel Boussac at Longchamp (1m, heavy). REASON TO DANCE 6l 3rd of 9 to Relatively Special in group II Rockfel Stakes over course and distance (good to soft) with SALVEZZA 5l 6th. FAWAAKEH 13½l 4th of 12 to Lady Fairfax in listed race at Kempton (1m, soft). BLUE SIREN 5½l fifth of 6 to Balaxie in listed race here (7f, good to soft).
Selection: FAIRY HEIGHTS

4.15 LADBROKE HANDICAP (£7,700: 1m 2f) (16 runners)
C4

501 (3) 124103- LUCKY GUEST 182 (D,F,G,S) (Windflower Holdings Inc) J Dunlop 7-10-0 ... L Piggott 90
502 (9) 200020- REALITIES 164 (G) (S Kassel) G Harwood 4-9-13 ... R Cochrane 86
503 (4) 314620- SPIN DOCTOR 237 (D,S) L Cumani 4-9-13 ... C Hodgson (3) 83
504 (5) 02100-3 WAINWRIGHT 17 (F) (Shaikh Mohammed) J Gosden 5-9-7 ... L Dettori 87
505 (14) 110200- GLIDE PATH 157 (D,F,G) (The Jampot Partnership) J Hills 5-9-5 ... M Hills 86
506 (10) 222100- GONE TROPPO 242 (D,F) (L Marinopoulos) H Cecil 4-9-2 ... W Ryan 94
507 (16) 144161- KNOCK KNOCK 189 (C,D,F,G) (G Smart) I Balding 9-9-1 ... S O'Gorman 87
508 (7) 416-0 WINDRUSH LADY 17 (S) (M Wilkins) M McCormack 4-8-10 ... J Reid 89
509 (2) 220311- CHATHAM ISLAND 134 (D,F,G) (B Vuaiq) C Brittain 6-8-5 ... B Doyle (3) 90
510 (6) 111240- BENTICO 8J (D,F,G) (B Reid) N Twiston-Davies 5-8-5 ... J Williams 84
511 (8) 50416-5 BEAUMAN 19 (S) (Mrs B Facchino) B McMahon 4-8-4 ... T Quinn 86
512 (15) 532000- BARFORD LAD 189 (CD,F,S) (Barford Bloodstock) J Fanshawe 7-8-4 ... A Munro 85
513 (13) 311060- DEEVEE 214 (C,F,G,S) (D Turner) C Benstead 5-7-13 ... P Robinson 82
514 (12) 63005-0 LET'S GET LOST 19 (F) (P Leonard) Mrs J Ramsden 5-7-12 ... J Quinn 91
515 (11) 3300-31 SWIFT SILVER 8 (D,G,S) (Lord Rowallan) W Musson 7-7-11 (5ex) ... S Lanigan (7) [top]
516 (1) 00060/4 WRKON VENTURE 5 (D,G,S) (Mrs J Auchincloss) M Tompkins 6-7-7 ... D Wright (5) –

Long handicap: Virkon Venture 7-3.

BETTING: 11-2 Swift Silver, 6-1 Let's Get Lost, 7-1 Wainwright, 10-1 Lucky Guest, Windrush Lady, 12-1 Chatham Island, Gone Troppo, Spin Doctor, 14-1 Beauman, Deevee, 16-1 Barford Lad, Knock Knock, 20-1 others.

1993: LOKI 5-9-0 D Harrison (5-1) G Lewis 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

LUCKY GUEST 3½l 3rd of 4 to Majed in handicap at Newcastle (1m 2f, soft). REALITIES 9l 2nd of 18 to Fraam in handicap here (7f, good). SPIN DOCTOR neck 2nd of 16 to Dana Springs in handicap at Goodwood (1m 4f, good to soft) on penultimate start. WAINWRIGHT 1l 3rd of 24 to Our Rita in handicap at Doncaster (1m, good) with WINDRUSH LADY (1lb better off) 5l 13th. KNOCK KNOCK beat Gilderdale head in 12-runner conditions race at Redcar (1m 3f, good). CHATHAM ISLAND beat Sword Master 5l in 14-runner handicap at Lingfield (AW, 1m 4f). SWIFT SILVER beat Ampas 10l in 15-runner handicap at Kempton (1m 2f, soft). BEAUMAN 12¾l 5th of 6 to Pay Homage in listed race at Doncaster (1m, good to firm). BARFORD LAD best recent form when 4l 2nd of to Sun Of Spring in handicap at Kempton (1m 4f, good to firm) last August.
Selection: SWIFT SILVER (nap)

4.50 CHRIS BLACKWELL MEMORIAL HANDICAP
(3-Y-O: £5,390: 7f) (18 runners)

601 (13) 11240-1 ORANGE PLACE 8 (D,G,S) (Archer Van Hire Ltd) M Bell 9-9 (5ex) ... M Fenton (3) 93
602 (4) 324521- SOUTHERN POWER 161 (D,G) (Lucayan Stud) R Hannon 9-7 ... Pat Eddery 84
603 (12) 00323- TOWER GREEN 171 (D Blacker) Lady Herries 9-2 ... W Ryan 90
604 (10) 350- LAFTAH 179 (Shaikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) B Hanbury 8-13 ... B Raymond 84
605 (6) 541- DONTFORGET INSIGHT 158 (D,G) (T Neill) P Cole 8-13 ... T Quinn 87
606 (17) 6341- REALIZE 159 (D,G) (Lord Harrington) J Gosden 8-12 ... L Dettori 85
607 (3) 082- FARAS ELNAAS 196 (Shaikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) C Wall 8-10 ... W Woods 89
608 (16) 322010- MANHATTAN SUNSET 171 (CD,S) (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 8-10 ... J Reid 88
609 (11) 315- LITTLE BEAUT 234 (G) (V Sajmani) S Woods 8-8 ... D Biggs 88
610 (15) 50520-1 SECUNDUS 5 (S) (C Meehan) B Meehan 8-8 (5ex) ... B Doyle (3) 98
611 (8) 44522-4 HEATHYARDS LADY 18 (L Morgan) R Hollinshead 8-7 ... S Perks 88
612 (9) 2-611 WILD ACE 24 (D,G) (J Swaine) N Graham 8-7 ... J Weaver 91
613 (2) 201305- THE MULTIYORKER 166 (D,F) (Multiyork Ltd) M Tompkins 8-5 ... P Robinson 88
614 (1) 410243- LEAP OF FAITH 213 (V,G) (J Purcell) Miss G Kelleway 8-4 ... A Munro 83
615 (5) 6231-2 TEETOTALLER 10 (S) (Highflyers) G Balding 8-4 ... W Carson [top]
616 (7) 35000-2 BROCTUNE GOLD 8 (BF,S) (Mrs M Thwaites) Mrs M Reveley 8-3 ... K Darley 96
617 (18) 44U0-00 VANESSA ROSE 17 (G Mydon) A Bailey 7-10 ... D Wright (5) 89
618 (14) 60012-3 WIZARD KING 8 (D,BF,S) M Prescott 7-7 ... J Lowe 93

BETTING: 6-1 Broctune Gold, 7-1 Teetotaller, Realize, 8-1 Orange Place, Secundus, Wizard King, 10-1 Dontforget Insight, Manhattan Sunset, Wild Ace, 12-1 Faras Elnaas, Leap Of Faith, 14-1 Southern Power, 16-1 others.

1993: TYCHONIC 8-1 D Holland (11-4 fav) B Hills 13 ran

5.25 MUSEUM MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £5,127: 1m 2f) (24 runners)

1 (11) ADDATH (Prince A A Faisal) H Cecil 9-0 ... W Ryan –
2 (10) ANYAR REEM (Shaikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) J Gosden 9-0 ... J Carroll –
3 (13) 0- BAJAN 179 (J Fuller) M Tompkins 9-0 ... P Robinson 76
4 (17) BATAAN (G Chestrom) Mrs J Cecil 9-0 ... Paul Eddery –
5 (24) CENTURY (Shaikh Mohammed) J Gosden 9-0 ... L Dettori –
6 (3) 5- DOUBLE DAGGER 180 (L Marinopoulos) H Cecil 9-0 ... A McGlone 98
7 (20) 0- FLAWED LOGIC 180 (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 9-0 ... B Thomson –
8 (16) 0- HIGH ACCOUNT 180 (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyam 9-0 ... J Reid –
9 (9) LOMBARDIC (K Abdulla) B Hills 9-0 ... Pat Eddery –
10 (23) MAST (R Hollingsworth) B Hills 9-0 ... D Holland –
11 (15) 2- MOKHTAR 158 (H Al-Maktoum) J Dunlop 9-0 ... W Carson 84
12 (22) MOWLAIE (Maktoum Al Maktoum) A Scott 9-0 ... W R Swinburn –
13 (8) 085- PILIB 169 (P Cunningham) J Pearce 9-0 ... G Bardwell 73
14 (18) 03- SADLER'S WALK 167 (Sir Philip Oppenheimer) G Wragg 9-0 ... M Hills 90
15 (6) 3 SIEVE OF TIME 19 (B Vaski) C Brittain 9-0 ... M Roberts [top]
16 (21) TANNOOR (H Al-Maktoum) B Hanbury 9-0 ... J O'Dwyer (7) –
17 (2) 0- TARTHOOTH 175 (H Al-Maktoum) C Benstead 9-0 ... R Hills –
18 (4) 60- VIRTUAL REALITY 204 (Mrs S Collier) A Hide 9-0 ... W Woods 92
19 (5) WELL BELOVED (Lord Howard de Walden) H Cecil 9-0 ... A Munro –
20 (7) ZALDIVAR (Sultan Mohammed) M Stoute 9-0 ... K Darley –
21 (14) CALADESI (Sultan Mohammed) L Cumani 8-9 ... R Cochrane –
22 (12) 0- CHANSON D'AVRIL 164 (Snowdrop Stud Co Ltd) C Cyzer 8-9 ... J Weaver –
23 (1) JARMAR MOON (W Gredley) J Shaw 8-9 ... G Duffield –
24 (19) 30- NOBLISSIMA 194 (Mrs E Ogden White) J Dunlop 8-9 ... T Quinn 85

BETTINGS: 11-4 Century, 5-1 Addath, 6-1 Well Beloved, 8-1 Mokhtar, 10-1 Caladesi, Mowlaie, Sieve Of Time, Zaldivar, 12-1 Double Dagger, Lombardic, Mast, 14-1 others.

1993: COMMANDER IN CHIEF 9-0 Pat Eddery (Evens fav) H Cecil 13 ran

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wnrs	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
H Cecil	53	262	20.2	Pat Eddery	88	437	20.1
P Chapple-Hyam	14	70	20.0	W R Swinburn	58	349	16.8
J Gosden	45	244	18.4	W Carson	67	458	14.6
M Stoute	41	242	16.9	M Roberts	62	451	13.7
P Cole	20	118	16.9	L Dettori	53	415	12.8

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High Peak heads for Scotland

BOOKMAKERS were taking no chances yesterday with High Peak, owned by J P McManus, in Saturday's Stakis Scottish Grand National at Ayr.

William Hill made the Irish chaser their 10-1 joint-favourite as 32 horses stood their ground for the four mile one furlong handicap.

Trainer Edward O'Grady is keen to send High Peak to Scotland, but admitted is still baffled by the horse's failure in the Irish National.

Hills bet: 10-1 Bishops Island, High Peak, 11-1 Nuaffe, Tartan Tyrant, 12-1 Into The Red, Shraden Leader, Superior Finish, Taramoss.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Kelso

Going: good to soft

2.00 (2m 6f 110yd ch) 1, Bennan March (A Dobbin, 25-1); 2, River Pearl (7-4); 3, Kirkcaldy (20-1). Brackenfield 5-4 fav (f). 12 ran. 1½l, 15l. P Monteith. Tote: £20.50; £4.20, £1.30, £2.10. DF: £26.10. CSF: £63.39.

2.30 (2m 2f hdle) 1, All Greek To Me (F Leahy, 3-1 jt-fav); 2, Kenndabil (100-30); 3, Firm Price (5-1). Boro Smackeroo 3-1 jt-fav. 22 ran. 2½l, 2½l. J Parkes. Tote: £4.00; £1.80, £1.10, £3.00. DF: £6.00. Trio: £5.40. CSF: £11.91.

3.00 (3m 1f ch) 1, Press For Action (Mr D Mactaggart, 10-1); 2, Gale Storm (50-1); 3, Whinstone Mill (14-1). Rede Rebel 10-11 fav (f). 9 ran. NR: Posidonia. 3½l, nk. S Shirley-Beavan. Tote: £9.40; £1.70, £3.90, £1.30. DF: £110.00. CSF: £249.26.

3.30 (2m 6f 110yd hdle) 1, Coqui Lane (Mr J M Dun, 2-1 fav); 2, Easby Joker (5-1); 3, Manor Court (20-1). 16 ran. NR: Bensbrook. 1½l, 6l. G Dun. Tote: £2.10; £1.10, £3.10, £23.30. DF: £6.10. CSF: £12.33.

4.00 (3m 1f ch) 1, Royal Jester (Mr C Storey, 11-4); 2, Loughlinstown Boy (25-1); 3, Agathist (11-10 fav). 5 ran. 2l, 11l. Mrs J Storey. Tote: £4.10; £1.90, £2.80. DF: £25.90. CSF: £34.63.

4.30 (2m 1f ch) 1, Simple Pleasure (A Maguire, 3-1); 2, Kambalda Rambler (13-8 fav); 3, Absailor (11-4). 4 ran. Hd, 3½l. Mrs M Stirk. Tote: £3.50. DF: £3.70. CSF: £7.31.

5.00 (2m 110yd hdle) 1, Flash Of Realm (A Dobbin, 7-2); 2, Palacegate King (8-4); 3, Gymcrak Stardom (7-1). Master Of Troy 11-8 fav (f). 5 ran. 1½l, 3½l. P Monteith. Tote: £4.10; £2.10, £2.00. DF: £7.70. CSF: £10.98.

Jackpot: £59,667.40 (0.09 winning tickets). Pool of £76,334.14 carried forward to Newmarket today). Placepot: £550.30.

Folkestone

Going: heavy

1.45 (6f) 1, Bold Mick (J Tate, 3-1 fav); 2, South Eastern Fred (5-1). 3, Starsport (14-1). 10 ran. 5l, 1½l. D Murray Smith. Tote: £3.30; £1.10, £2.30, £5.10. DF: £12.20. Trio £159.40. CSF: £19.59. Tricast: £175.23.

2.15 (6f) 1, Nordico Princess (A Munro, 11-4); 2, Rocky Two (9-4 fav); 3, Gallant Spirit (3-1). 8 ran. NR: Gipsy Kid. Sh hd, 3½l. J Pickering. Tote: £3.20; £1.00, £2.10, £2.70. DF: £4.70. CSF: £10.20.

2.45 (1m 7f 92yd) 1, Kingsfold Pet (D Toole, 3-1 jt-fav); 2, Betty Kenwood (3-1 jt-fav); 3, Access Sun (5-1). 8 ran. 15l, 3½l. M Haynes. Tote: £4.20; £1.60, £1.80, £3.10. DF: £12.00. CSF: £11.80. Tricast: £38.13.

3.15 (5f) 1, Palacegate Gold (S Drowne, 9-4 fav); 2, Bright Paragon (8-1); 3, Avril Etoile (6-1). 8 ran. ½l, 5l. R Hodges. Tote: £2.50; £1.40, £1.10, £2.50. DF: £10.70. CSF: £19.74.

3.45 (1m 4f) 1, Life At Sea (T Quinn, 8-11 fav); 2, Intention (14-1); 3, Rexmel (6-1). 11 ran. 7l, 9l. P Cole. Tote: £2.10; £1.20, £4.50, £4.10. DF: £29.60. CSF: £14.22.

4.15 (1m 1f 149yd) 1, Daring King (Mr P Pritchard-Gordon, 7-1); 2, Northern Conqueror (7-1); 3, Sinclair Lad (13-8 fav). 8 ran. NR: Dinner At Eight, Persian Gusher. 3l, 2½l. G Pritchard-Gordon. Tote: £10.70; £2.70, £2.30, £1.80. DF: £96.80. Trio: £24.60. CSF: £52.51. Tricast: £108.64.

4.45 (6f 189yd) 1, Makhraj (W Carson, 11-8 fav); 2, Mini A Million (33-1); 3, Deeply Vale (50-1). 14 ran. ¾l, 2½l. P Walwyn. Tote: £2.40; £1.10, £7.80, £17.50. DF: £71.20. CSF: £40.16. Placepot: £9.40.

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GOING: SOFT (HEAVY IN PLACES) SIS

2.10 APPLIED SIGNS NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE
(£2,155: 2m 6f 110yd) (16 runners)

1 0152 ANILAFFED 19 (V,D,S) J Akehurst 4-11-10 ... D Gallagher 99
2 6431 ROWLANDSONS GOLD 21 (G) M Channon 4-11-10 ... Lorna Vincent 85
3 P111 PATROCLUS 17 (S) J Mackie 9-11-9 ... T Eley (3) 98
4 5502 PRIMO FIGLIO 10 (S) Miss L Siddall 4-11-5 ... A Maguire 91
5 5/0 GRATUITY 19 C Barwell 9-11-8 ... N Mann –
6 360 CATS RUN 32 J Upson 6-11-4 ... R Supple [top]
7 300- COTSWOLD CASTLE 370 Mrs J Retter 8-10-13 ... S Fox (5) 93
8 P550 GUTE NACHT 10 (S) S Campion 11-10-12 ... P Midgley (5) 84
9 P6-1 MOYNSHA HOUSE 35 (S) B Curley 6-10-9 ... D Murphy 88
10 6124 PRINCETHORPE 34 (S) B Cambidge 7-10-8 ... D Meredith (3) 82
11 4043 KADARI 17 (V) W Clay 5-10-8 ... Diane Clay 80
12 P4P4 NAVAL BATTLE 20 (S) J King 7-10-8 ... J R Kavanagh 90
13 00-3 MARINERS LOVE 8 R Price 8-10-5 ... R Dunwoody 90
14 3800 LENTHALL PRINCESS 19 J Needham 8-10-4 ... T Wall 80
15 D60- KERRY MY HOME 489 B Curley 7-10-0 ... E Murphy 80
16 P-0P SARAH'S WROATH 24 M Scudamore 9-10-0 ... R Bellamy –

3-1 Patroclus, 7-2 Moynsha House, 5-1 Anilaffed, 13-2 Cats Run, 7-1 Primo Figlio, 8-1 Princethorpe, 10-1 Mariners Love, Naval Battle, 16-1 others.

2.40 PHILLIPS THE FLORISTS NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£2,944: 3m 2f) (13)

1 31P1 BRABAZON 10 (CD,S) M Tompkins 8-11-13 ... A Maguire 84
2 51PP VELEDA II 8 (D,F,G,S) Mrs S Bramall 7-11-8 ... J Burke (5) 90
3 6041 THE PORTSOY LOON 31 (S) G Thorner 7-10-7 ... D Bridgwater 82
4 6118 DUCHESS OF TUBBER 17 (S) R Fisher 6-10-4 ... N Williamson 98
5 2031 DOROBO 42 (B,CD,S) T Forster 6-10-1 ... R Farrant (3) 90
6 3351 SHEARMAC STEEL 20 (S) P Hobbs 7-10-0 ... Peter Hobbs 81
7 353F SPECIAL ACCOUNT 10 (V,G,S) C Barwell 8-10-0 ... N Mann 81
8 414U MERLYNS CHOICE 28 (G,S) B Rothwell 10-10-0 ... R Dunwoody 88
9 6310 LASTOFTHEVIKINGS 27 (S) J Needham 9-10-0 ... D Gallagher [top]
10 PF1B CRAIGSTOWN 17 (S) Mrs L Jewell 6-10-0 ... J Kavanagh 79
11 4202 TRAVEL BOUND 8 J Parkes 9-10-0 ... L Harvey 83
12 5P4B CANTGETOUT 8 (S) C Pinney 8-10-0 ... Mr A Pickering 85
13 F456 BILLHEAD 102 J Pickering 8-10-0 ... T Eley (3) 85

11-4 Dorobo, 9-2 Brabazon, 5-1 Shearmac Steel, Veleda II, 15-2 Duchess of Tubber, 10-1 The Portsoy Loon, 16-1 others.

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: There are no horses blinkered for the first time at Newmarket today.

3.10 HAWKSWORTH GRAPHICS & PRINT HANDICAP CHASE (£3,436: 2m 5f) (7)

1 113F GNOME'S TYCOON 27 (BF,F,G,S) R Phillips 8-12-0 ... J Railton 98
2 -54P REPEAT THE DOSE 31 (C,F,G,S) T Etherington 9-11-7 ... G McCourt 94
3 3211 RAFIKI 24 (C,F,G,S) Mrs J Retter 9-10-10 ... M A Fitzgerald [top]
4 0511 ANDERMATT 21 (D,S) J Mackie 7-10-10 ... N Williamson 97
5 P042 BALDA BOY 24 (G,S) T Forster 10-10-4 ... B Powell 90
6 -PFF BICONCLUSIVE 20 (D,G,S) Mrs S Bramall 7-10-0 ... J Burke (5) 71
7 2FP0 MO ICHI DO 38 (CD,F,G,S) Miss S Wilton 8-10-0 ... T Eley (3) 66

6-4 Gnome's Tycoon, 3-1 Andermatt, 9-2 Rafiki, 7-1 Balda Boy, 8-1 others.

3.45 PETER DAVIS TRACTORS NOVICES HURDLE
(4-Y-O: £1,686: 2m) (5)

1 211P PREROGATIVE 38 (V,D,S) M Pipe 12-0 ... R Dunwoody [top]
2 D MAC TOMB 18 R Price 11-0 ... J McCarthy (3) –
3 43 ROMALITO 10 M Blanshard 11-0 ... D Gallagher 96
4 6423 VOLUNTEER POINT 10 Mrs S Bramall 11-0 ... J Burke (5) 80
5 R GYPSY CRYSTAL 8 P Rodford 10-9 ... M A Fitzgerald –

4-9 Prerogative, 4-1 Romalito, 5-1 Volunteer Point, 25-1 others.

4.20 HAPPY BIRTHDAY VIV NOVICES' CHASE
(£2,613: 2m 5f) (8)

1 FPP1 CROSULA 15 (D,S) M Pipe 6-11-10 ... R Dunwoody [top]
2 1F63 DONT TELL THE WIFE 24 (S) Mrs D Haine 8-11-10 ... D Bridgwater 84
3 P2PP BEN THE BOMBER 25 C Cowley 9-11-4 ... Judy Davies (7) –
4 4 FOXY BLUE 34 (G) F Lloyd 9-11-4 ... S McNeill 63
5 F-PP KING OF SHADOWS 17 (G) F Barton 7-11-4 ... Gary Lyons –
6 -600 LING 40 (G,S) J Needham 9-11-4 ... T Wall –
7 F0U4 TITUS GOLD 17 (S) W Clay 9-11-4 ... T Eley (3) 81
8 PP40 BRORA ROSE 13 (V,S) P Rodford 6-10-13 ... Miss S Cobden (7) 66

4-6 Crosula, 5-2 Dont Tell The Wife, 6-1 Ling, 14-1 Titus Gold, 16-1 others.

4.55 LYCETT BLINDS & AWNINGS HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,583: 2m) (5)

1 163F RED INDIAN 38 (CD,G) W Haigh 8-12-0 ... D Byrne 90
2 -00P DOOLAR 24 (CD,F,G,S) P Dalton 7-10-12 ... N Mann –
3 P/P MARA ASKARI 8 (V,D,G) J Harris 6-10-3 ... R Dunwoody –
4 -056 WHAT IF 59 (CD,F,G,S) D Brennan 10-10-0 ... M Brennan [top]
5 4425 RAIN-N-SUN 31 (D,G) J Harris 8-10-0 ... T Wall 73

4-6 Red Indian, 9-4 What If, 8-1 Mara Askari, 18-1 Doolar, 33-1 Rain-N-Sun.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: M Tompkins, 6 winners from 15 runners, 40.0%; T Forster, 13 from 39, 33.3%; M Pipe, 39 from 126, 31.0%; Mrs J Retter, 4 from 16, 25.0%; P Dalton, 6 from 27, 22.2%; J King, 7 from 36, 19.4%.
JOCKEYS: R Dunwoody, 29 from 123, 23.6%; S McNeill, 8 from 38, 21.1%; N Mann, 8 from 45, 17.8%; N Williamson, 18 from 104, 17.3%, L Harvey, 6 from 36, 16.7%; B Powell, 7 from 46, 15.2%.

SEDGEFIELD

THUNDERER

2.20 Farmer's Cross. 2.50 Red Jam Jar. 3.20 Choctaw. 3:55 Beaucadeau. 4.30 Sporting Mariner. 5.00 Ali's Alibi.

Brian Beel: 4.30 Goggins Hill.

GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO FIRM IN PLACES) SIS

2.20 JOHN WADE HAULAGE NOVICES SELLING HURDLE (£1,984: 2m 5f 110yd) (18 runners)

1 5303 FARMER'S CROSS 32 (CD,G,S) P Beaumont 10-11-8 ... Mrs A Farrell
2 P/00 BONNY HECTOR 10 (S) S Pittendrigh 10-11-2 ... Mr A Manners (7)
3 604U GOLDEN BANKER 6 J Wade 6-11-2 ... K Jones
4 244 HOT PUNCH 17 H Alexander 5-11-2 ... P Waggott (5)
5 44-0 HOWARD'S POST 103 J Johnson 5-11-2 ... A Dobbin
6 0UU- LODGING 14F (V) B Ellison 7-11-2 ... A Larnach (5)
7 0P PICKTHEMONEYUPALF 26 R Johnson 7-11-2 ... K Johnson
8 PPP SAMS-THE-MAN 22 (B) R Gray 6-11-2 ... C Hawkins
9 2500 THE WEATHERMAN 33 G Moore 6-11-2 ... N Stocks (7)
10 00 CHAPELSTREET BLUES 13 J Parkes 7-10-11 ... F Leahy (7)
11 0F4- FARAH 371 J Turner 5-10-11 ... W Fry (7)
12 0/P FEELING FRAYL 28 T Carr 7-10-11 ... M Clarke (7)
13 0P GLORIOUS HEIGHTS 32 V Thompson 6-10-11 ... A Merrigan
14 -060 MISS CONSTRUE 17 (S) Mrs M Reveley 7-10-11 ... P Niven
15 P ABLE MCCLEOD 66 Mrs K Walton 4-10-9 ... J Callaghan
16 0S OWES THE TILL 26 R Wood 4-10-4 ... C Woodall (7)
17 5P02 RYTHMIC RYMER 18 J Jefferson 4-10-4 ... G Tormey (7)
18 380 TINSTONE 158 S Kettlewell 4-10-4 ... Mark Roberts (7)

4-1 Hot Punch, 5-1 Farmer's Cross, 6-1 Farah, 7-1 Miss Construe, 8-1 others.

2.50 JOHN JOYCE HANDICAP HURDLE
(£2,490: 2m 1f 110yd) (14)

1 3-11 WHO'S TEF 17 (CD,F) M H Easterby 6-12-0 ... L Wyer
2 2350 STAY AWAKE 151 (C,F,G,S) Mrs M Reveley 8-11-11 ... P Niven
3 146- FIERY SUN 325 (CD,F,G) A Stringer 9-11-10 ... N Smith
4 44R6 FLOWING RIVER 68 (F,G) R Allan 8-10-13 ... B Storey
5 45F0 MIAMI BEAR 138 (D,G) R Fahey 8-10-11 ... P Harley
6 365P SALMAN 151 (D,F,S) Mrs V Ward 8-10-8 ... R Davis (3)
7 230- BUCKRA MELLISUGA 550 (F,S) J Hellens 10-10-5 ... A Larnach (3)
8 253P SASKIA'S HERO 83 (G,S) J Bottomley 7-10-2 ... D Byrne
9 -624 RED JAM JAR 27 (F) C Bell 9-10-0 ... K Johnson
10 2-02 ANY DREAM WOULD DO 17 (F) P Beaumont 5-10-0 ... C Hawkins
11 P5P5 FLASS VALE 8 (V,C,F) C Fairhurst 6-10-0 ... D Bentley (3)
12 PU31 DUTCH BLUES 93 (C,D,S) Mrs S Austin 7-10-0 ... D Wilkinson
13 5521 STATION EXPRESS 22 (CD,F,G) B Ellison 6-10-0 ... F Leahy (7)
14 00PP DERWENT LAD 59 M Barnes 5-10-0 ... A Dobbin

11-8 Who's Tef, 5-1 Any Dream Would Do, 7-1 Red Jam Jar, 10-1 others.

3.20 REG LAMB MEMORIAL HANDICAP CHASE
(£3,043: 3m 3f) (16)

1 P02/ JELUPE 721 (C,F,G,S) R S-Clarke 12-11-10 ... Mr R S-Clarke
2 0105 BISHOPDALE 24 (F,G,S) S Chadwick 13-11-5 ... A Merrigan
3 -121 MORGANS HARBOUR 27 (CD,F,S) Mrs M Reveley 8-11-4 ... P Niven
4 1134 CHOCTAW 21 (CD,F,G,S) P Beaumont 10-11-3 ... C Hawkins
5 0644 FIGHT TO WIN 19 (B,F,G) R Manning 6-11-0 ... G Upton
6 4U3P GATHERING TIME 24 (CD,G,S) J Johnson 8-10-12 ... Miss V Haigh (7)
7 40PU RED UNDER THE BED 17 (CD,F,S) Mrs S Bramall 7-10-11 ... Mr D Parker (5)
8 6223 DUBIOUS JAKE 26 (F,S) R Woodhouse 11-10-7 ... M Dwyer
9 6032 LAPIAFFE 17 (F,G,S) A Harrison 10-10-4 ... B Storey
10 U4P4 CARDUSEL CALYPSO 17 (G,S) P Monteith 8-10-2 ... A Dobbin
11 P-0P MAJIC RAIN 87 (S) G Coatsworth 9-10-1 ... C Grant
12 2244 LITTLE GENERAL 36 (D,F) R Rowe 11-10-0 ... M Perrett
13 2531 MOYODE REGENT 17 (CD,F,S) R Lamb 10-10-0 ... Mr A Manners (7)
14 -P55 FIRST LORD 32 (B,G,S) Mrs V Aconley 8-10-0 ... J Supple (5)
15 4540 EDEN SUNSET 10 R Collins 8-10-0 ... J Callaghan
16 F1PU LADY BLAKENEY 27 (G) B Rothwell 8-10-0 ... L Wyer

3.55 VAUX BREWERIES SEDGEFIELD CHAMPION NOVICES CHASE (£4,275: 2m 1f) (16)

1 0531 DORADUS 35 (CD,F,G) Jimmy Fitzgerald 6-11-9 ... F Leahy
2 U222 EXPLOSIVE SPEED 53F (F,G) M Hammond 6-11-9 ... C Grant
3 22F2 ISSYIN 8 (S) M W Easterby 7-11-9 ... R Garritty
4 5210 MAYOR OF LISCARROL 10 (C,F) M Smith 9-11-9 ... G Harker
5 2242 SHREWD JOHN 17 (D,BF,G) R Woodhouse 8-11-9 ... M Dwyer
6 1235 BEAUCADEAU 129 (F,G) M Barnes 8-11-3 ... A Dobbin
7 -0P0 DOUGAL'S BIRTHDAY 20 G Coatsworth 8-11-3 ... K Jones
8 -00F EDEN STREAM 28 J Johnson 7-11-3 ... G Upton
9 F034 GRAZEMBER 8 P Beaumont 7-11-3 ... C Hawkins
10 50/F KINGS LAW 17 (G) D Scott 8-11-3 ... Mr D Scott
11 F605 NORTHERN VISION 26 R Lamb 7-11-3 ... Mr A Manners
12 54PP RICH NEPHEW 38 (F,G,S) R Rowe 9-11-3 ... M Perrett
13 F305 ZARBANO 31 B Mactaggart 8-11-3 ... A Merrigan
14 3F0- DOLITINO 17P (S) Miss Z Green 10-10-12 ... Miss P Robson
15 550- DOCTOR BRIGGS 340 Mrs J Jordan 5-10-10 ... D Morris
16 60-P SPLIT SECOND 147 (B) Mrs V Aconley 5-10-10 ... J Callaghan

5-2 Issyin, 3-1 Doradus, Beaucadeau, 5-1 Explosive Speed, 6-1 Shrewd John, 14-1 Mayor Of Liscarrol, 20-1 others.

4.30 STANLEY THOMPSON MEMORIAL HUNTERS CHASE (Amateurs: £1,702: 3m 3f) (11)

1 -212 GOGGINS HILL 21 (BF,S) P Cheesbrough 7-11-12 ... J Greenall
2 S-61 VERY CHEERING 32 (S) Miss M Rowland 11-11-12 ... B Crawford (7)
3 -35P DALMORE 7 (F,G) Mrs S Gospel 8-11-7 ... P Atkinson (7)
4 4-PU IT'S A DEAL 28 (G) S Pittendrigh 8-11-7 ... S Pittendrigh (7)
5 60-P LETHAL WEAPON 31P S Robinson 10-11-7 ... Simon Robinson (7)
6 1-P4 LINEBACKER 17P (G) D Smith 10-11-7 ... N F Smith (7)
7 2U22 MARSHALSTONESWOOD 10P (F,G) J Bowie 9-11-7 ... Miss A Bowie (7)
8 PP32 SECOND ATTEMPT 10P (B) M McGovern 10-11-7 ... Miss P Robson (7)
9 P544 SPORTING MARINER 21 (F,G,S) D Bloor 12-11-7 ... D Bloor (7)
10 6-52 BIRTLEY GIRL 38P D Hutchinson 10-11-2 ... Miss Sas Michol (7)
11 51-0 RIVERBOAT QUEEN 24P (G) T Pounder 11-11-2 ... P Jenkins (7)

☐ Form figures include point-to-points

4-5 Goggins Hill, 4-1 Sporting Mariner, 6-1 Marshalstoneswood, 7-1 Very Cheering, 12-1 It's A Deal, Second Attempt, 14-1 others.

5.00 JUMP INTO SPRING NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,522: 2m 5f 110yd) (18)

1 1606 POWLEYVALE 24 (G,S) B Rothwell 7-11-12 ... M Dwyer
2 P120 TOO CLEVER BY HALF 13 (G) R Johnson Houghton 6-11-2 ... Mr G Johnson Houghton
3 1232 ALI'S ALIBI 6 (CD,S) Mrs M Reveley 7-11-0 ... P Niven
4 381 SHARKASHKA 27 (C,F) M H Easterby 4-10-11 ... L Wyer
5 2031 TITIAN GIRL 13 (B,D,G) Miss L Siddall 5-10-8 ... T Reed
6 0084 WANG HOW 25 C Thornton 6-10-3 ... D Wilkinson
7 P1F6 TWIN STATES 7 (S) J Turner 5-10-3 ... W Fry (7)
8 100R JUKE BOX BILLY 22 (F) J Johnson 6-10-1 ... A Dobbin
9 0060 GERMAN LEGEND 22 R Lamb 4-10-0 ... A Merrigan
10 03-0 OTHER RANKS 34 P Dennis 6-10-0 ... C Dennis
11 6450 ON GOLDEN POND 22 (B,C,G) G Moore 4-10-0 ... J Callaghan
12 -020 MIDNIGHT FLOTILLA 17 (BF) P Beaumont 6-10-0 ... B Grattan (7)
13 D164 TIGHTER BUDGET 10 (S) Mrs E Slack 7-10-0 ... M Moloney
14 0300 MISCHIEVOUS GIRL 7 R Tate 6-10-0 ... Mrs F Needham
15 P656 TANGO IN PARIS 55 Mrs E Moscrop 4-10-0 ... J Supple (5)
16 U06- OLLIVER DUCKETT 31P P Beaumont 5-10-0 ... C Hawkins
17 4055 STRATHBOGIE MIST 10 J Parkes 6-10-0 ... D J Moffatt (3)
18 F-0P BRIAR'S DELIGHT 178 R Allan 6-10-0 ... B Storey

11-4 Ali's Alibi, 4-1 Sharkashka, 13-2 Titian Girl, 8-1 Powleyvale, 10-1 Too Clever By Half, 14-1 On Golden Pond, 16-1 Midnight Flotilla, Tighter Budget, 20-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: Mrs M Reveley, 64 winners from 203 runners, 31.5%; Jimmy Fitzgerald, 19 from 62, 30.6%; M H Easterby, 25 from 89, 28.1%; C Thornton, 7 from 25, 28.0%; S Kettlewell, 7 from 26, 26.9%; J Hellens, 12 from 54, 22.2%.
JOCKEYS: P Niven, 59 winners from 212 rides, 27.8%; L Wyer, 28 from 116, 24.1%; F Leahy, 4 from 17, 23.5%; M Dwyer, 30 from 129, 23.3% ...

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Major concern ends for Olazábal

LENNY ZONELLI



Olazábal receives the coveted green jacket from his fellow Ryder Cup player, Bernhard Langer, last year's winner, in the traditional ceremony at Augusta

February 1966: José María Olazábal is born in a stone house in the centre of San Sebastian golf course. The house is 35 feet from the putting green, 60 feet from the 9th and 10th tees and 100 feet from the 1st tee. His father, Gaspar, is the greenkeeper, his mother and grandmother both work in the club. Olazábal will hit his first golf shots at the age of two.

June 1979: Sergio Gomez, a burly, bull-necked local businessman, who used to play tight-head prop in a local rugby team, takes up golf. He practises hard and in 18 months is down to nine handicap. Every time he practises there is a tiny, bird-like small boy on the practice ground working even harder. In time, Olazábal becomes the star player in the club's junior section, run by Gomez.

May 1982: Olazábal enters the British boys' championship at Burnham and Berrow. Olazábal will win this event next year, but this year he loses to John Morris on the last green in the first round. This is just as well, because the young Spaniard causes considerable offence by his habit of going up to Morris and staring him in the eye, willing him to miss putts.

May 1984: In the final of the British Amateur Championship at Formby, Olazábal plays a big, plump Scot. In time, Colin Montgomerie will go on and head the European money-list, but now he is completely outplayed by the extraordinary chipping and putting of the little Spaniard. In years to come, Olazábal will grin with embarrassment at how good his short game was.

July 1985: Olazábal finishes as the leading amateur in the Open Championship won by Sandy Lyle. Gomez, a friend and mentor, starts to act as his manager and has his first meeting with Mizuno, the Japanese manufacturers of golfing equipment.

August 1985: Olazábal, trying to become the first player to win the British boys, youths and Amateur championships, nearly misses the cut in the youths' event at Ganton. That spurs him into action. With 18 birdies in his last 46 holes, ten times getting up and down in two strokes from off the green, he takes the youths' title as well.

June 1986: a British journalist flies to San Sebastian to interview Olazábal, by now a professional. He meets Gomez, Jesus Arruti, Olazábal's coach, and Olazábal, who is already bridling at comparisons with Severiano Ballesteros. "I am the not the next Seve Ballesteros" he informs the journalist. "I am the first José María Olazábal."

On the practice ground, Olazábal demonstrates his flashing swing and a dubious grip and gives a lesson in shot-making skills. He has 20 balls and says he will hit four different types of shot. "Start with five low shots" his teacher commands. Olazábal, using a five-iron, complies. "Now hit five high shots". Olazábal complies again. "Five fades" Arruti orders. Olazábal obliges. "Now" Arruti says with a slight smile. "Let us see if you are a champion. Five draws please." Olazábal makes the last five balls bend gently from right to left as they fly into the rainy sky. Later that year, he finishes second in the Order of Merit.

September 1987: Olazábal and Ballesteros begin their partnership in the Ryder Cup. In the opening morning's foursomes, Olazábal holes a curling eight-foot putt for victory. Olazábal's mother, a dark-haired lady with a blotch of pride showing in her cheeks, follows her son all week. She barely speaks English.

August 1990: Olazábal scatters the cream of American golfers by winning the World Series in Akron, Ohio, by 12 strokes.

April 1991: Olazábal needs to par the 72nd hole at Augusta National to draw level with Ian Woosnam, who is playing in the match behind. He takes a five and except for occasional flourishes, is to play poorly for nearly three years.

March 1994: Victory in the Mediterranean Open follows a chance meeting with John Jacobs, the golf teacher, who has known Olazábal for 14 years.

Jacobs tells him to turn, not tilt, his shoulders on the backswing — a message he had also imparted at the Ryder Cup at The Belfry in September 1993. Olazábal goes on to win one more tournament and finish second twice before arriving in Augusta.

April 1994: It is last Sunday morning and Gomez is talking on the lawn outside the Augusta National clubhouse. "He woke at 9.15 and tried to go back to sleep," Gomez is saying, "but it is hard. He is okay. He is not shaking. He knows he has to play well. He knows he has to be lucky."

Olazábal's spirits are lifted when he arrives at the club and opens his locker to find notes from Sam Torrance and Ballesteros. "Be patient," Ballesteros wrote. "You know what you have to do. You are the best player in the world."

In the afternoon, Olazábal is courageous, steady (he took only two bogeys in his last three rounds) and skilful, putting as bravely as Sandy Lyle did when he won the Masters in 1988. Olazábal reaches the 72nd tee with a one-stroke lead. Typically for the man who has the best short game in the world, he chips and one-putts for a two-stroke victory.

At the dinner given to the champion by the club, Olazábal pleases the members by telling a simple story. "I did not have much breakfast, nor lunch. I think the reason I won was to make sure I had a good dinner."

His victory seems entirely appropriate and removes an irritating tag — that of the game's best player not to have won a major championship.

Hitherto, Olazábal has not been eligible for the US Open, which is being played at Oakmont in June. Now he is the 58th US Masters champion, he is.

As Ballesteros, for so long the golfing King of Spain, moves into the shadows, his heir apparent steps forward to take his place. Olé José.

1980	S Ballesteros	Spain
1981	T Watson	United States
1982	C Stadler	United States
1983	S Ballesteros	Spain
1984	B Crenshaw	United States
1985	B Langer	West Germany
1986	J Nicklaus	United States
1987	L Mize	United States
1988	A Lyle	Great Britain
1989	N Faldo	Great Britain
1990	N Faldo	Great Britain
1991	I Woosnam	Great Britain
1992	F Couples	United States
1993	B Langer	Germany
1994	J M Olazábal	Spain

US unless stated
279: J M Olazábal (Sp) 74, 67, 69, 69. 281: T Lehman 70, 70, 68, 72. 282: L Mize 68, 71, 72, 71. 283: T Kite 69, 72, 71, 71. 285: J McGovern 72, 70, 71, 72; L Roberts 75, 68, 72, 70; J Haas 72, 72, 72, 69. 286: E Els (SA) 74, 67, 74, 71; C Pavin 71, 72, 73, 70. 287: I Baker-Finch (Aus) 71, 71, 71, 74; R Floyd 70, 74, 71, 72; J Huston 72, 72, 74, 69.
288: T Watson 70, 71, 73, 74. 289: D Forsman 74, 68, 76, 73. 291: B Faxon 71, 73, 73, 74; C Beck 71, 71, 75, 74; M O'Meara 75, 70, 76, 70. 292: G Norman (Aus) 70, 70, 75, 77; D Edwards 73, 72, 73, 74; S Ballesteros (Sp) 70, 76, 75, 71; H Irwin 73, 68, 76, 72; W Gluasson 72, 73, 75, 72; B Crenshaw 74, 73, 73, 72; L Wadkins 73, 74, 73, 72. 293: J Sluman 74, 75, 71, 73; B Langer (Ger) 74, 74, 72, 73. 294: C Strange 74, 70, 75, 75; S Simpson 74, 74, 73, 73; V Singh (Fiji) 70, 75, 74, 75. 295: L Janzen 75, 71, 76, 73; C Parry (Aus) 75, 74, 73, 73. 296: N Faldo (GB) 76, 73, 73, 74. 297: R Cochran 71, 74, 74; 76; S Torrance (GB) 76, 73, 74, 74. 298: N Price (Zim) 74, 73, 74, 77; D Frost (SA) 74, 71, 75, 78, F Zoeller 74, 72, 74, 78. 299: A Lyle (GB) 75, 73, 78, 73; F Funk 78, 70, 75, 75; F Allem (SA) 69, 77, 76, 77.
300: C Pecos (I) 79, 70, 78, 73; M Standly 77, 69, 79, 75; A Magee 74, 74, 76, 76; H Mashiai (Japan) 71, 71, 80, 78; W Grady (Aus) 74, 73, 73, 80. 301: I Woosnam (GB) 78, 73, 77, 75; J Cook 77, 72, 77, 75. 304: J Daly 78, 73, 77, 76; H Twitty 73, 76, 74, 81. 305: J Maggert 75, 73, 82, 75; * J Harris 72, 78, 80, 77.

* denotes amateur

World rankings (after the US Masters: US unless stated): 1, G Norman (Aus) 21.38pts average; 2, N Faldo (GB) 18.89; 3, N Price (Zim) 17.33; 4, B Langer (Ger) 16.75; 5, F Couples 14.67; 6, P Azinger 13.23; 7, J M Olazábal (Sp) 11.85; 8, D Frost (SA) 10.94; 9, C Pavin 10.61; 10, I Woosnam (GB) 10.13.

Cup replay causes fixture problems

THE FA Cup semi-final replay between Manchester United and Oldham Athletic tomorrow has raised problems for both clubs, which were due to play matches in the FA Carling Premiership. Oldham's match against Tottenham Hotspur has been put back a week to Wednesday, April 20, but there was no agreement yesterday on a new date for the Leeds United v Manchester United match.

The clubs could not consider April 20 because they have so many players involved in internationals that week. FA Premier League officials favour the week beginning April 25 for the fixture, but the Manchester derby is scheduled to be played that day for the benefit of BSkyB television cameras.

"This match has given us a bit of a problem, but extending the season beyond May 8 is not a good option," a Premier League spokesman, Mike Foster, said. "We are looking at the week beginning April 25, but that would involve moving the Manchester derby. We are in contact with the clubs."

Boost for Wimbledon

TENNIS: Wimbledon, which pioneered the concept of sporting debentures in 1992, is to issue a new series in an effort to raise £35.7 million towards the cost of ground improvements at the All-England Club. The 2,100 debentures, covering the period 1996-2000, will cost £19,625 each and offer privileges including one Centre Court ticket per debenture and the use of a special lounge at the club. The money will help fund a new No 1 Court, two additional grass courts and a new facilities building, mainly for players and media. John Curry, chairman of the All-England Club and the Committee of Management of The Championships, said the move "would ensure that Wimbledon remains the best tournament in the world".

Rover signs up

YACHTING: The Rover car company has become the sixth sponsor for one of the 15 yachts being prepared for Chay Blyth's Amateur Round the World Race, starting from Southampton in 1996. The 27,000-mile race has attracted more than 2,000 amateurs applying for one of the 180 places.

A further 2,000 also applied for the two berths secured for the winners of *The Times* bursary offered last year towards the £18,950 cost of each place. The winning readers, Lucy Fleming and James Capstick, have already completed their induction course.

England into last four

BADMINTON: England yesterday overcame the unexpected absence of their All-England champions, Nick Ponting and Joanne Wright, to defeat Germany 3-2 and move into the semi-finals of the European championships in Den Bosch, Holland. Wright withdrew with a cold, leaving Chris Hunt and Gillian Gowers to contest the mixed doubles, , which they won 15-18, 15-6, 15-4. Anders Nielsen beat Oliver Pongratz, the German champion, 17-14, 11-15, 15-11 and Suzanne Louis-Lane won her match 11-1, 12-9. England lost the dead matches in the women's and men's doubles.

Watson back in action

RUGBY LEAGUE: David Watson, the Bradford Northern full back, is likely to return tonight from a five-match suspension for the first of two crucial games in four days against Wigan, which are likely to decide the Stones Bitter Championship. Phil Clarke, Nigel Wright and Paul Atcheson, injured in Wigan's loss to Hull Kingston Rovers on Sunday, are in doubt for the Silk Cut Challenge Cup final on April 30. Tony Myler, 33, the Widnes and former Great Britain stand-off half who has not played since aggravating a back injury 17 months ago, has retired.

Germany replace rival

FOOTBALL: Germany, the world champions, will play the United Arab Emirates in Abu Dhabi on April 27 in place of the cancelled match against England, which was to be played on April 20. England last week withdrew from the match because of fears of violence at the fixture in Berlin. Berti Vogts, the Germany coach, said he wanted to play the UAE because they had a similar style to South Korea, who are drawn with Bolivia, Spain and the Germans in group one in the first round of the World Cup finals in the United States in June.

Burt joins Jordan

MOTOR RACING: Kelvin Burt, the British Formula Three champion, has been signed by the Formula One team, Sasol Jordan, for whom Eddie Irvine drives, until 1998. Eddie Jordan, the team manager, said Burt would take part in testing and should make his Formula One debut next season, but he would not stand in for Irvine, who is serving a three-race ban. Instead, Aguri Suzuki, of Japan, will replace the Ulsterman in next week's Pacific grand prix. The team has yet to decide who will race in the San Marino and Monaco grands prix.

Dutch breakthrough

CRICKET: Holland will replace one of the 12 minor counties in the Natwest Bank Trophy competition from next year. "Holland's entry is part of a deliberate policy to build a bridgehead into Europe," Tim Lamb, the Test and County Cricket Board's cricket secretary, said. Until grass pitches of an acceptable standard have been established, all Holland's matches will be played away. Martin Crowe and Mark Greatbatch have both passed fitness checks following surgery for knee injuries and will be in the New Zealand tour party which arrives in England later this month.

Dilemma in Doldrums

YACHTING: The leading yachts in the Whitbread Round the World Race face a trying time today when they enter The Doldrums during the fifth stage from Uruguay to Fort Lauderdale. The 60-footer, *Yamaha*, skippered by Ross Field, held a 15-mile lead over *Intrum Justitia*, the European entry of Lawrie Smith, who said yesterday: "The big question is how close we should go to the Brazilian coast. Too close and we will enjoy a favourable current but little wind; too far out and we may get better winds but no current and a longer distance to sail."

Irving ends double hopes for Horner

BY COLIN MCQUILLAN

SUZANNE Horner's hopes of converting her long-awaited win in the national squash championships in January into a unique domestic double at the Hi-Tec British Open championships were frustrated at Wembley in Sunday's semi-finals when she lost to Liz Irving, the second seed from Australia, 7-9, 9-7, 9-2, 9-1 in 71 minutes.

Horner, 31, has no plans to retire. The Wakefield player is at the top of her game and certainly sharp enough to contain the rising British generation while the old guard of Opie and Le Moignan fades away. With four national finals and a brace of British Open finals since 1989, Horner can claim an unrivalled domestic consistency.

"It took me four attempts to win the British national final so I was hoping at least to get a third British Open final under my belt this time," Horner, who had beaten Irving at the quarter-final stage last year, said.

She began well this time, too, maintaining her calm through an awkward break in the first game for emergency repairs to the floor of the Perspex showcourt to win 9-7. However, Irving, a vastly experienced player who is a couple of years younger than Horner, is also entering an autumn bloom that makes her part of an élite group of two in the women's game with Michelle Martin. Her varied and inventive attack was just too much for the hard-hitting Horner through the next three games.

Martin, the 26-year-old defending champion, put Sarah FitzGerald out of the 30-minute all-Australian semi-final 9-6, 9-6, 9-5 to join Irving in the first all-Australian final since Vicki Cardwell defeated Margaret Zacharia in 1981.

Cardwell, 38, can show them all a few long-playing tricks. She returned yesterday to defeat Liz Brown, of Staffordshire, 9-6, 9-2, 9-4 in a 29-minute over-35 final.

The Australians were not alone in pursuit of national records at Wembley on Sunday. Peter Marshall and Chris Walker broke a 45-year drought since the last pair of Englishmen reached the same semi-final stage of the British Open.

Marshall fought a brave and encouragingly-improved 89-minute losing battle 9-2, 7-9, 9-4, 9-3 against Jansher Khan, the defending champion from Pakistan, but it was Walker, ranked second to the double-hander in national terms, who came closer to becoming the first English finalist since Roy Wilson lost to Hashim Khan in 1953. He lost 9-7, 7-9, 9-7, 9-4 in 59 minutes to Brett Martin, of Australia.

RESULTS: Hi-Tec British Open: Semi-finals: Men: Jansher Khan (Pak) bt P Marshall (Eng) 9-2, 7-9, 9-4, 9-3; B Martin (Aus) bt C Walker (Eng) 9-7, 7-9, 9-7, 9-4. Women: M Martin (Aus) bt S FitzGerald (Aus) 9-6, 9-6, 9-5; L Irving (Aus) bt S Horner (Eng) 7-9, 9-7, 9-2, 9-1. Age-Group Finals: Men: Over-35: R Norman (NZ) bt P Kenyon (Eng) 9-3, 9-0, 9-0. Over-40: H Jahan (Eng) bt R Forde (Ire) 9-4, 9-8, 8-10, 9-2. Over-45: S Sherren (Eng) bt A Kaoud (Eng) 9-6, 7-0 ret injured. Over 50: M Yasin (Pak) bt J Parrott (Eng) 9-6, 9-2, 9-1. Over-55: P Kinon (Eng) bt D Wickenden (Eng) 9-8, 9-3, 9-4. Women: Over-35: V Cardwell (Aus) bt L Brown (Eng) 9-6, 9-2, 9-4. Over-40: A Murphy (Eng) bt B Dryhurst (Eng) 9-7,

Relieved Mansell walks away

FROM OLIVER HOLT
IN PHOENIX, ARIZONA

EMERSON Fittipaldi was still posing for pictures and accepting the plaudits due the victor when Nigel Mansell fled into the desert. Hiding his unease behind mirrored sunglasses and an uncertain smile, he left the Phoenix International Raceway behind in a cloud of dust, the memories of dangers revisited lingering over him.

There was no physical damage this time. The track was strewn with wreckage several times during Sunday's race, but Mansell managed to avoid all involvement. There was no repeat for him of the crash during the race preliminaries last year that forced him to miss the main event and encouraged the cynics who had said he would never adapt to ovals.

Yet still he looked chastened and wan in the melee of photographers and autograph hunters clamouring for his attention. He was briefer, more preoccupied, than usual. Not even the entreaties of his team co-owner, Carl Haas, deterred him from his flight.

"That was the scariest time I have ever had in racing," Mansell said after the 200 laps were complete. Third place behind Fittipaldi and the Brazilian's Penske team-mate, Al Unser Jr, made him happy enough, but this race will be remembered neither for its result nor for its frustration of Mansell's attempt to become the first IndyCar driver to win five oval races in succession. It will be recalled instead for the 61st-lap thud that sounded the head-on collision between the stricken car of Hiro Matsushita and the flying Forsythe-Green Reynard of Jacques Villeneuve, whose father Gilles was killed during qualifying for the Belgian Formula One grand prix at Zolder in 1982. He ploughed straight through Matsushita's car which spiralled down the track, sliced in half by the impact. Villeneuve was unhurt and Matsushita suffered only a dislocated shoulder.

"I stopped in the pits straight after the crash because I thought I might have picked up some debris," Mansell said. "When I went out again they were urging me to go quicker, but I said: 'With all due respect, you have not seen what I have just seen'.

"It really upset me. When you see cars with wheels off, that is one thing, but when you see them in half with the gearbox and the engine at opposite sides of the track, that is something else. It was a miracle I got through there. I was close behind them and it was just a feeling of instant relief to have missed it."

Mansell, starting from third position on the grid, overhauled Villeneuve and Paul Tracy, who had started in front of him, early in the race, but then lost time when he stalled his Newman-Haas Lola Ford in the pit lane and had to work his way back up the field from twelfth place. He now lies fifth in the championship after its first two rounds, 18 points behind the leader, Fittipaldi.

"Although I won four last year, I am still learning on ovals," Mansell said. "I made quite a few mistakes, but I will get stronger and stronger as the years go on. This track still scares me though. Before the race began, I was so nervous I asked the team if they could go out in the crowd and find a short guy with a moustache to put in the car."

FINAL POSITIONS: 1, E Fittipaldi (Br), Penske-Ilmor, 200 laps; 2, A Unser Jr (US), Penske-Ilmor, 200, 13.48sec behind; 3, N Mansell (GB), Lola-Ford Cosworth XB, 199; 4, S Johansson (Swe), Penske-Ilmor, 197; 5, J Vasser (US), Reynard-Ford Cosworth, 197; 6, M Groff (US), Lola-Honda V8, 196; 7, R Gordon (US), Lola-Ford Cosworth XB, 195; 8, R Bossel (Br), Lola-Ford Cosworth XB, 195; 9, S Sharp (US), Lola-Ford Cosworth XB, 194; 10, A Fernandez (Mex), Reynard-Ilmor, D, 194.

Championship leaders (after two rounds): 1, Fittipaldi 37; 2 equal, Johansson and Vasser 22; 3, Michael Andretti 21; 4, Mansell 18; 5, Unser Jr 16; 6, Mario Andretti 14.

Dampier puts faith in experience

BY NORMAN DE MESQUITA

ALEX Dampier, the Great Britain ice hockey coach, has announced a squad of 23 for the team's return to the upper echelons of the world championships after an absence of more than 30 years.

As usual in a Dampier squad, there is a preponderance of dual-nationals: 15 of the skaters were born in Canada. These skaters are, to say the least, experienced, with an average age of just over 30. This could prove a drawback against the speed and skill of Russia and Canada, two of Great Britain's five opponents in the round-robin competition, which starts in Bolzano, Italy in a fortnight.

Dampier has said that he found it difficult to pick the squad, which seems odd, as it includes most of his old favourites. Only Matt Cote, Frank Morris, Rick Brebant and David Longstaff will make their debuts.

It is a surprise to see Brebant in the line-up, as he firmly stated a few years ago that he had no desire to play for Britain. Kevin Conway's inclusion is also strange, as he has not played a competitive game since breaking a leg in February and can hardly be match-fit.

It is generally agreed that, this season, Kevin Dean, of Whitley Bay, is the best goaltender in the British game, but he has been ignored as have two former regulars, Graham Waghorn and Simon Hunt.

The squad appears to be too old and pays little or no regard to the future. Dampier said: "It is vital to maintain our position on the world stage for the good of the sport at all levels in Great Britain." I fear that the players named might struggle to do so.

SQUAD: Goal: M McKay (Sheffield), J McCrone (Fife), M Hanson (Murrayfield). Defence: A Mato (Nottingham), C Kelland (Sheffield), M Cote (Bracknell), M O'Connor (Humberside), T Kurtenbach (Romford), B Meson (Slough), S Hope (Cardiff), S Cooper (Cardiff). Forwards: A Rend (Murrayfield), F Morris (Murrayfield), S Morrison (Whitley Bay), D Longstaff (Whitley Bay), N Chinn (Cardiff), I Cooper (Cardiff), R Brebant (Cardiff), D McEwan (Cardiff), R Fera (Trafford), K Conway (Basingstoke), T Granston (Sheffield), P Scott (Milton Keynes).
FIXTURES: April 26: v Russia. April 27: v Germany. April

	Depth (cm) L	Depth (cm) U	Conditions Piste	Conditions Off/p	Runs to resort	Weather (5pm)	°C	Last snow
AUSTRIA								
Obergurgl	30	120	good	powder	fair	cloud	-1	11/4
	(Very good snow and skiing but poor visibility)							
St Anton	10	375	good	powder	worn	cloud	3	11/4
	(Excellent powder on Valluga and other higher slopes)							
FRANCE								
Chamonix	15	475	good	varied	poor	cloud	5	10/4
	(Deep snow cover and good skiing on all runs above 1800m)							
Tignes	155	345	good	powder	good	sun	0	10/4
	(Superb skiing on and off piste)							
Val d'Isère	145	220	good	powder	good	sun	1	10/4
	(Great skiing everywhere)							
Val Thorens	120	280	good	powder	good	snow	-4	11/4
	(Sunny for most of the day with great skiing)							
ITALY								
Livigno	20	120	good	varied	worn	cloud	-3	4/4
	(Good skiing available though some bare/worn patches)							

Source: Ski Club of Great Britain. L = lower slopes; U = upper; art = artificial.

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BBC1

6.00 Business Breakfast (20657)
7.00 BBC Breakfast News (89848378)
9.05 Kilroy. Topical studio discussion (9559305)
10.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (9437676) **10.05 Playdays** (r) (s) (8842164)
10.30 Good Morning . . . with Anne and Nick Weekday magazine (22075909)
12.15 Pebble Mill. With Judi Spiers (s) (8841744) **12.55 Regional news** and weather (77766893)
1.00 One O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (24812)
1.30 Neighbours (Ceefax) (s) (69525367)
1.50 The Great British Quiz with Janice Long (s) (69529183)
2.15 FILM: Columbo: Try and Catch Me. An elderly crime writer suspects her nephew of killing her favourite niece. Peter Falk as the shabby detective investigates (8381454)
3.25 Tom and Jerry's Greatest Hits (r) (9783124) **3.50 Noddy** (s) (3747096) **4.00 Marlene Marlowe Investigates** (r) (s) (4029763) **4.20 Watt on Earth**. Sci-fi adventure serial. Sean is puzzled by a bicycle bell that sounds like a foghorn (r) (s) (8726305) **4.35 The Addams Family**. Cartoon (r) (Ceefax) (6082218)
5.00 Newsround (8419003)

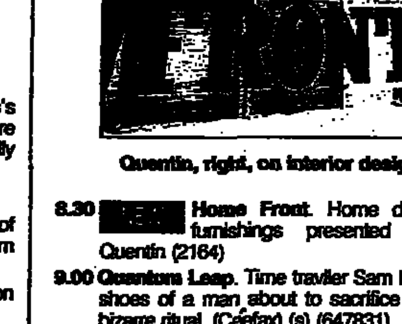


Isabella Steel makes a birthday wish (5.10pm)

5.10 The Lowdown. A look at the way children celebrate their birthdays, including some touching stories about the meaning of birthdays. (Ceefax) (s) (1829096)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (570676)
6.00 Six O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (367)
6.30 Regional news magazines (947)
7.00 The Brittas Empire. News of Gordon Brittas's death reaches Whitbury Leisure Centre, where everyone takes it surprisingly well. But is he really dead? (r) (Ceefax) (s) (6367)
7.30 EastEnders. (Ceefax) (s) (831)
8.00 How Do They Do That? Behind the scenes of television and film-making, with Desmond Lynam (Ceefax) (s) (655299)
8.45 Points of View presented by Anne Robinson (Ceefax) (s) (195015)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (7218)
9.30 Keeping Up Appearances. Hyacinth's search for perfection is a source of annoyance to her husband and neighbour (r) (Ceefax) (s) (10560)
10.00 Omnibus: Gielgud – Scenes From Nine Decades. (Ceefax) (s) (5170)
11.00 FILM: Arthur (1981) starring Dudley Moore as a spoiled millionaire who must choose between continued wealth in an arranged marriage and true love with a waitress. Sir John Gielgud won an Oscar for his performance as Moore's valet. Directed by Steve Gordon, who died the following year (719034)
12.35am Weather (2078400) Ends at **12.40**
12.45-3.45 BBC Select: Executive Business Club (76435) **3.15 BBC Select: Legal Network Television** (73348)

BBC2

8.00 Breakfast News (4346183)
8.15 Mahatma Carey. A profile of William Carey, a founder of the Baptist Missionary Society (r) (7118725) **8.55 Consuming Passions** (6880164)
9.00 FILM: Cornered (1945, b/w). High-tension drama, with Dick Powell tracking the Nazi who killed his wife. Directed by Edward Dmytryk (98141015)
10.40 Town Portraits. Barnard Castle, Co. Durham (r) (9782928)
10.50 FILM: The Gazebo (1959, b/w). Black comedy starring Glenn Ford, directed by George Marshall (21160522)
12.30 Glynn Christian Tastes China. Today he stops in Xiamen for bean curd and smoked food (87016744)
12.40 Green Streets (r) (4569015) **1.20 Postman Pat** (r) (54472367) **1.35 Man and Boy** Mike Kendall and Simon King explore Cotswold lakes (r) (51946980)
2.00 News (Ceefax) and weather followed by **Harvesters of Honey**. A expedition to gather honey and beeswax from the Himalayan honey bee (3893) **2.30 See Hear!** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (980)
3.00 News (Ceefax) and weather followed by **Westminster Live** (1389560) **3.50 News** (Ceefax), regional news and weather (3745638)
4.00 Today's the Day. Quiz (s) (560)
4.30 People of the Valley. Welsh language drama series. With English subtitles (s) (744). **Wales:** Between Ourselves
5.00 The Munch Bunch. An investigation into Munchausen's Syndrome (7473)
5.30 Gardeners's World includes a visit to the Scilly Isles gardens on Tresco (r) (Ceefax) (s) (105)
6.00 FILM: The Crimson Pirate (1952). Classic swashbuckler starring Burt Lancaster, directed by Robert Siodmak (89448831)
7.40 Education Special: Bullying. (Ceefax) (491893)



Quentin, right, on interior design (8.30pm)

8.30 Home Front. Home decorating and furnishings presented by Caroline Quentin (2164)
9.00 Quantum Leap. Time traveller Sam lands up in the shoes of a man about to sacrifice his bride in a bizarre ritual. (Ceefax) (s) (647831)
9.45 40 Minutes: Living in a Boom Time. The stories of two victims of the recession. (Ceefax) (987102)
10.30 Newsnight. (Ceefax) (453015)
11.15 The Late Show – India Week. A profile of the Muslim novelist Taslima Nasreen (s) (961744)
11.55 Weather (768454) **12.00 Technology** (4614787)
12.25 Computer-Aided Design (2076936). Ends **1.30**

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Sir John Gielgud, a birthday knight (BBC1, 10.00pm)

Omnibus: Gielgud — Scenes from Nine Decades
BBC1, 10.00pm (Scotland: Thursday, 11.25pm)

Kenneth Branagh narrates a ninetieth birthday tribute to Sir John Gielgud. If the film is more a celebration than a critical appraisal, that is what the occasion demands. A neat assembly of interviews, film clips and audio material traces the great man's progress through more than 70 years on stage, and shorter careers in the cinema and on television. Gielgud may have been born with the theatrical version of a silver spoon and he may have been blessed with a sublime voice, but as the programme keeps making clear, he has never shrunk from taking chances. In the 1960s he took on the avant-garde in plays by Storey and Pinter. More recently he appeared in *Prospero's Books*. As Lindsay Anderson says, he gets younger and bolder and thanks to his talent usually gets away with it.

Without Walls: Winds of Change
Channel 4, 9.00pm

A documentary from South Africa charts the experience of the country's black population during the first decade of apartheid, culminating in the Sharpeville massacre of 1960. The visual part of the programme is unusual, being made up entirely of black and white still photographs. They are taken from the photo-archive of the black magazine *Drum*, whose editor in the early 1950s was the British journalist Anthony Sampson. His is one of the voices we hear, along with that of Bishop Trevor Huddleston. The story is of a lively black culture, prone to American influences from Ella Fitzgerald to jitterbugging and gangsters, and an increasing resort to non-violent protest as the apartheid laws began to bite.

Education Special: Bullying
BBC2, 7.40pm

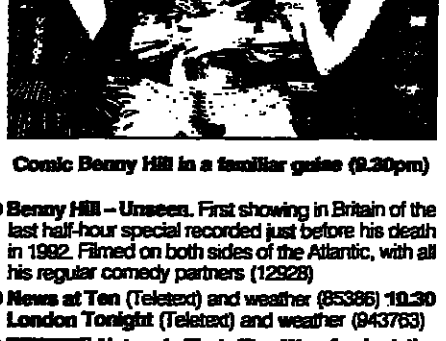
A report from a north London comprehensive focuses on a bold new way of trying to deal with bullies. Instead of victims being encouraged to take their troubles to teachers, or even their parents, they pour them out to their fellow pupils. The theory is that young people are more likely to trust their peers than adults. So a number of children in the school are appointed as counsellors, with the task of hearing the two sides to the argument and trying to mediate between them. The first reaction may be that such counselling is properly the task of teachers and that it is expecting a lot of 12 to 15-year-olds to fulfil an adult role. The cases followed in the film, however, offer encouraging *signs* that the experiment is working

Network First: The War Against the Mafia
ITV, 10.40pm

Part two of the story of the New York Mafia opens in 1976 when Paul Castellano takes over the Gambino family. It concludes nine years later when Castellano is shot dead in Manhattan. The intervening story runs into two opposing directions. On the one hand the early 1980s see the peak of Mafia power, with the mob infiltrating key areas of the American economy and creaming off millions of dollars. At the same time the FBI is at last waking up to the rackets and, helped by legislation and advanced bugging equipment, is starting to hit back. Pieced together with the help of old cops and former mobsters, the series continues to have a gruesome fascination. **Peter Waymark**

CARLTON

6.00 GMTV (5521893)
9.25 Cross Wits. Tom O'Connor hosts the crossword game show (2918454) **9.55 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (8851812)
10.00 The Time . . . The Place . . . Live studio discussion (s) (7636744
10.35 This Morning Richard Madeley and Judy Finnigan present the morning magazine (22092676) **12.20 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (3205980)
12.30 News (Teletext) and weather (7299560)
12.55 Emmerdale (r). (Teletext) (7274251)
1.25 Home and Away. (Teletext) (73259909)
1.55 It's a Vet's Life A look at the work of an animal dentist in Harrogate and an operation on an overweight dog. In pet's corner Jimmy McKay considers snakes. (Teletext) (51959454)
2.25 A Country Practice. Medical drama set in the Australian outback (s) (66559102) **2.50 The Young Doctors**. Hospital drama (4761657)
3.20 ITN News headlines (Teletext) (3257218) **3.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (3256589)
3.30 Alphabet Castle (r) (s) (6706015) **3.40 Tots TV** (r) (s) (3736980) **3.50 Twinkle the Dream Being** (3732164) **4.00 Taz-Mania** (r) (s) (8708909) **4.15 Mike and Angelo** (s) (4000638) **4.40 Finders Keepers**. Slapstick game show (s) (5757473)
5.10 Home and Away (r) (Teletext) (1919473)
5.40 Early Evening News (Teletext) and weather (895522)
6.00 London Tonight (Teletext) and weather (345589)
6.55 Emmerdale. (Teletext) (886015)
7.25 The European Match – Live. Arsenal v Paris St Germain from Highbury. The second leg of the European Cup Winners' Cup semi-final. Presented by Matthew Lorenzo with commentary from Brian Moore (25106676)

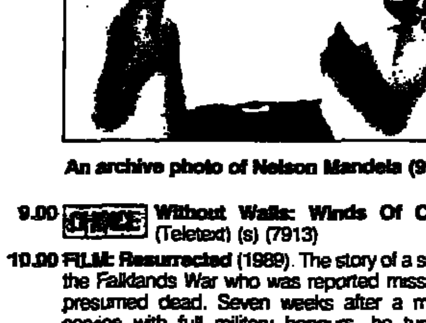


Comic Benny Hill in a familiar guise (9.30pm)

9.30 Benny Hill – Unseen. First showing in Britain of the last half-hour special recorded just before his death in 1992. Filmed on both sides of the Atlantic, with all his regular comedy partners (12928)
10.00 News at Ten (Teletext) and weather (85386) **10.30 London Tonight** (Teletext) and weather (943763)
10.40 Network First: The War Against the Mafia (810251)
11.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H. Colleen risks her career by standing up to Joan (679386)
12.30am The Beat. Music and movie programme (34067)
1.30 Nigel Mansell's IndyCar 94. Highlights of the second round from Phoenix, Arizona (18936)
2.00 FILM: Women of Twilight (1952, b/w) starring Freda Jackson and Laurence Harvey. Britain's first X-rated film is a drama about a London boarding house landlady who preys on unmarried mothers, seeking to sell their babies on the black market for adoption. Directed by Gordon Parry (56058)
3.30 America's Top Ten (s) (29690)
4.00 The Little Picture Show (r) (81969)
5.00 Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (r) (54706)
5.30 ITN Morning News (48042). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.35 Star Street (3474909)
7.00 The Big Breakfast (47763)
9.00 King Arthur and the Knights of Justice (r) (95763) **9.30 Sharky and George** (r) (5492337)
9.55 California Dreams (r) (2389270)
10.20 The Adventures of Super Mario Brothers (r) (7911270) **10.40 Gamesmaster** Computer games magazine (r) (s) (8814454)
11.10 The Finder Australian children's drama (r) (5124454) **11.35 The Legend of White Fang** Animated adventures based on Jack London's story (r) (9808562)
12.00 House To House Maya Even presents interviews with key politicians (82299)
12.30 Sesame Street Early learning series (r) (39612) **1.30 Widget** Animation (r) (22305)
2.00 Crawshaw Paints on Holiday Alwyn Crawshaw visits Majorca and paints the trains and trams in the market square of Soller (r) (66545909)
2.25 Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket Brough Scott introduces live coverage of the **2.35, 3.05, 3.40** and **4.15** races (29151657)
4.30 Fifteen to One. (Teletext) (s) (812)
5.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show Lovers confront their ex's to find out why they were dumped. (Teletext) (s) (6302473)
5.50 Deputy Dawg. Cartoon (538831)
6.00 Batman. The Caped Crusader is up against the Penguin (Teletext) (305)
6.30 Phenom. More American comedy about a teenage tennis prodigy. (Teletext) (s) (657)
7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) and weather (228819)
7.50 Comment (Teletext) (245299)
8.00 Very Jean Muir The first of three programmes about the fashion designer (r) (Teletext) (8725)
8.30 The Brief. Series examining Britain's legal system (3760)



An archive photo of Nelson Mandela (9.00pm)

9.00 Without Walls: Winds Of Change. (Teletext) (s) (7913)
10.00 FILM: Resurrected (1989). The story of a soldier in the Falklands War who was reported missing and presumed dead. Seven weeks after a memorial service with full military honours, he turned up seeming to be suffering amnesia. Although the Army doubted his condition, they decided to take no further action against him and he returned home to a hero's welcome. But when he goes back to his regiment, his fellow soldiers want him charged with desertion. With David Thewlis. Directed by Paul Greengrass (457657)
11.40 Animations From The TV Cartoons Studio. Starting with **The Insects**, followed by **Damon the Mower**, based on a poem by Andrew Marvell, **The Flying Man** and **The Apple**, about a little man's unexpected problems in picking an apple. (889251)
12.05am Unforgettable, With Love. Natalie Cole performs her father's songs including "Mona Lisa" and "Unforgettable" (r) (4441145)
1.05 Clannad in Donegal. The Irish folk group talk about their lives and music (2468961). Ends at **2.05**

RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW. **4.00am** Bruno Brookes (FM only) **7.00** Steve Wright in the Morning **9.00** Kevin Greening **12.00** Emma Freud, including at **12.30-12.45pm** Newsbeat **2.00** Mark Goodier in the Afternoon, including at **3.45** Batman **4.00** Nicky Campbell with Drivetime **7.00** Evening Session: featuring Pop Will Eat Itself and Ivy **9.00** The Story of Pop **10.00** Mark Radcliffe **12.00-4.00am** Lynn Parsons (FM only)

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. **6.00am** Sarah Kennedy **6.15** Pause for Thought **7.30** Wake Up to Wogan **9.15** Pause for Thought **9.30** Ken Bruce, including at **10.00** Pick of the Hits **11.30** Debbie Thrower **2.00pm** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Ed Stewart **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Doctor Who: The Paradise of Death (1/5) **7.30** Hayes Over Britain **9.00** The Decca Record Story (final part) **10.00** Katie and Friends: Katie Boyle marks the seventieth anniversary of the RSPCA (r) **10.30** The Jamesons **12.05am** Steve Madden with Night Ride **3.00-6.00** Alex Lester

RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00am Morning Reports **6.00** The Breakfast Programme **8.35** The Magazine **12.00** Midday with Mair **2.00** Ruscoe on Five **4.00** John Inverdale Nationwide **7.00** News Extra, including at **7.20** sport and racing results **7.20** Football Plus: Arsenal v Paris St Germain in the European Cup Winners' Cup semi-final second leg **10.00** News Talk **11.00** Night Extra **12.00** After Hours **2.00-5.00am** Up All Night, with Rod Sharp

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. **4.30am** BBC English **4.45** Fruhmagazin **5.00** Newshour **6.00** News in German **6.03** Morgenmagazin, including Tips für Touristen **6.27** News in German **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** World News **7.10** British News **7.15** The World today **7.30** This is Marvin Gaye **8.00** World News **8.15** Off the Shelf: The Confessions of St Augustine **8.30** New Ideas **8.50** A Dip in the Paint Pot **9.00** World News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Concert Hall **10.00** World News **10.05** World Business Report **10.15** Writing Time **10.30** On Screen **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News Summary **11.01** Discovery **11.30** BBC English **11.45** Mittagsmagazin **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** Megamix **1.00** World News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** Multitrack 1 **1.45** Sports Roundup **2.00** News **3.05** Outlook **3.30** Off the Shelf: The Confessions of St Augustine **3.45** Mastersingers **4.00** World News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** News in German **4.35** Heute Aktuell **5.00** News **5.15** BBC English **6.00** World News **6.05** World Business Report **6.15** The World Today **6.30** News and features in German **8.00** World News **8.05** Outlook **8.30** Europe Today **9.00** World News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** The World Today **9.30** Meridian **10.00** Newshour **11.00** World News **11.05** World Business Report **11.15** Megamix **11.45** Sports Roundup **Midnight** Newsdesk **12.30am** Omnibus **1.00** World News **1.10** British News **1.15** Concert Hall **2.00** World News **2.05** Outlook **2.30** Truth to Tell **2.45** Country Style **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** Andy Kershaw's World of Music **4.00** Newsdesk

CLASSIC FM

5.00am Richard Astbury **9.00** Henry Kelly **12.00** Susannah Simons live from Tokyo **2.00pm** Lunchtime Concerto: J.S. Bach (Violin Concerto in D: Simon Standage; Collegium Musicum 90) **3.00** Petroc Trelawny **6.00** Sarah Ward **7.00** The Opera Guide **8.00** Evening Concert: An evening of chamber music played by Japanese performers **10.00** Michael Mappin **1.00-5.00am** Mark Griffiths

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Russ and Jono's Breakfast **10.00** Richard Skinner **1.00pm** Graham Dene **4.00** Wendy Lloyd **7.00** N.J. Williams **10.00** Nick Abbot **2.00-6.00am** Tommy Rivers

ANGLIA

As London except: 9.55am-10.00 Anglia News and Weather (8851812) **12.20pm-12.30** Anglia News and Weather (3205980) **1.55** A Country Practice (69513522) **3.25-3.30** Anglia Weather and Anglia News (3256589) **5.10-5.40** Swot or Wot? (1919473) **6.00** Home and Away (818589) **6.25-6.55** Anglia Weather followed by Anglia News (886980) **10.30-10.40** Anglia News and Weather (943763) **12.30am** Film: American Harvest (Wayne Rogers, Mariclare Costello) (283139) **2.20** The Little Picture Show (1400752) **3.15** ITV Chart Show (7839665) **4.10** Jobfinder (3725416) **5.00-5.30** Videofashion (54706)

CENTRAL

As London except: 9.55-10.00 Central News (8851812) **12.20pm-12.30** Central News and Weather (3205980) **1.55** Shortland Street (69513522) **2.50-3.20** A Country Practice (4761657) **3.25-3.30** Central News (3256589) **5.10-5.40** Swot or Wot? (1919473) **6.00** Home and Away (818589) **6.25-6.55** Central News and Weather (886980) **10.30-10.40** Central News and Weather (943763) **11.40** The Equalizer (485582) **12.40am** First Cut (2798023) **1.05** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (2153145) **1.35** The Big E (7078313) **2.25** Riviera (4118400) **2.55** The Beat (5480435) **3.50** Profile (10927110) **4.05** Jobfinder (4203400) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (8403481)

VARIATIONS

HTV WEST

As London except: 1.55 A Country Practice (69513522) **5.10-5.40** Animal Country (1919473) **5.55** Home and Away (569560) **6.25-6.55** HTV News (886980) **11.40** The Weekly Eco (520096) **12.10am** Get Wet (8839597) **12.35** American Harvest (283139) **2.20** The Little Picture Show (1400752) **3.15** ITV Chart Show (7839665) **4.10** Jobfinder (3725416) **5.00-5.30** Videofashion (54706)

HTV WALES

As HTV WEST except: 6.25-6.55 Wales Tonight (886980) **10.30-10.40** HTV News and Weather (943763) **11.40-12.10pm** Grass Roots (520096)

MERIDIAN

As London except: 1.55 Country Practice (69513522) **2.50-3.20** Shortland Street (4761657) **6.00** Meridian Tonight (818589) **6.25-6.55** Doing It Up (886980) **5.00am-5.30** Freescreen (54706)

TYNE TEES

As London except: 9.55-10.00 Tyne Tees News and Weather (8851812) **12.20pm** Tyne Tees News and Weather / Bliedale: Network North (3221928) **12.25-12.30** Lookaround (3220299) **1.55** A Country Practice (69513522) **3.25-3.30** Tyne Tees News / Bliedale: Network North (3256589) **5.55** Tyne Tees Today / Network North (569560) **6.25-6.55** Talkabout (886980) **10.30-10.40** Tyne Tees News and Weather (943763) **11.40** The Equalizer (320473) **12.35am** The Forum Presents (6450868) **1.45** The Little Picture Show (725503) **2.45** The Twilight Zone (1137972) **3.10** Sport AM (7997145) **4.10** Stage Three (3543058) **5.05-5.30** Jobfinder (6436042)

WESTCOUNTRY

As London except: 9.55-10.00 Westcountry Latest (8851812) **12.20pm-12.30** Westcountry Latest (3205980) **1.55** The Young Doctors (51959454) **2.25-2.55** It's a Vet's Life (66540454) **3.25-3.30** Westcountry Latest (3256589) **6.00-6.55** Westcountry Live (345589) **10.30-10.40** Westcountry Latest (943763) **12.35am** American Harvest (283139) **2.20** The Little Picture Show (1400752) **3.15** ITV Chart Show (7839665) **4.10** Jobfinder (3725416) **5.00-5.30** Videofashion (54706)

YORKSHIRE

As London except: 12.20pm-12.30 Calendar News (3205980) **1.55** A Country Practice (69513522) **3.25-3.30** Yorkshire: Calendar News / Bliedale: Network North (3256589) **5.55** Calendar / Network North (569560) **6.25-6.55** Talkabout (886980) **10.30-10.40** Calendar News (943763) **11.40** Darts: The 1994 UK Matchplay (320473) **12.35am** The Forum Presents (6450868) **1.45** The Little Picture Show (725503) **2.45** The Twilight Zone (1137972) **3.10** Sport AM (7997145) **4.10** Stage Three (3543058) **5.05-5.30** Jobfinder (6436042)

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Starts: 7.00 The Big Breakfast (47763) **9.00** King Arthur And The Knights Of Justice (2913909) **9.25** Sharky And George (2916096) **9.55** California Dreams (2389270) **10.20** The Adventures Of Super Mario Brothers (7937218) **10.35** Gamesmaster (8815183) **11.05** The Finder (9930657) **11.30** The Legend Of White Fang (1893) **12.00pm** House To House (82299) **12.30** Slot Meithrin (23034) **1.00** The Royal Collection (17522) **1.30** The Garden Club (22305) **2.00** Profiles Of Nature (66545909) **2.25** Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket (29151657) **4.30** Slot 23 (1909096) **4.35** Troi A Throi (7286183) **4.45** Manawydan (1191909) **5.05** Cracabant (1820725) **5.30** Fifteen To One (164) **6.00** Newyddion (896831) **6.20** Cwlwm Serch (865522) **6.25** Heno (206251) **7.00** Pobol Y Cwm (2305) **7.30** Gwaith Yng Nghasia (541) **8.00** Mas O Dwn (8725) **8.30** Newyddion (3760) **9.00** The Best Of Rory Bremner - Who Else? (1788) **9.30** French Travelog (26070) **10.00** The Golden Girls (83928) **10.30** Dim Tafod (14270) **11.30** Don't Forget Your Toothbrush (45589) **12.30am** Africa Express (18313)

RADIO 3

6.30am Open University: Musical Style **6.55** Weather
7.00 On Air: Mozart (Overture, Lucia Silla); Purcell (Suite, The Virtuous Wife); Strauss (Der Einsame); Bazzini (La ronde des Lutins); D'India (La mia fili crudel); Vaughan Williams (Flos campi)
9.00 Composer of the Week: Berg. Altenberg Lieder; Four Pieces, Op 5; Three Orchestral Pieces, Op 6; Der Wein
10.00 Musical Encounters: Mairi Nicolson introduces Gershwin (Strike up the Band); *Artist of the Week*: Stephen Wilkinson directs the BBC Northern Singers in his own, On Such a Day, and Petr Eben's Desire of Ancient Things; **10.27** Guilmant (Symphony No 1): Walton (Where Does the Uttered Music Go?: BBC Northern Singers under Wilkinson); Tchaikovsky (Orchestral Suite No 2: BBC Philharmonic under Sachio Fujioka); **11.39** Poulenc (Piano Concerto: Pascal Rogé; Philharmonia under Charles Dutoit)
12.00 Music Restored: Madrigals from Monteverdi's Sixth Book (r)
1.00pm News; The BBC Orchestras: BBC Scottish SO under Thierry Fischer performs Jolivet (Les amants magnifiques); Walton (Violin Concerto: Stephanie Gonley); Stravinsky (Symphony in C)
2.20 Dmitri Alexeev, piano, plays Schumann (Arabeske; Symphonic Studies); Scriabin (Three Mazurkas); Rachmaninov (Preludes from Op 23 and Op 32) (r)
3.50 The BBC Orchestras: BBC Philharmonic under Yan Pascal Tortelier performs Gorecki (Scontri; Concerto-Cantata); Lutoslawski (Concerto for Orchestra)
5.00 The Music Machine: A portrait of student flautist Stephen Foster
5.15 In Tune, including Nielsen (Prelude to Act II of Saul and David); **6.00** Barber (Agnus Dei); Clara Schumann (Piano Trio in G)
7.30 A Child of Our Time: City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra Chorus; City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra under Simon Rattle performs Janáček (Sinfonietta); Tippett (A Child of Our Time: with Roberta Alexander, soprano, Florence Quivar, mezzo, Robert Tear, tenor, Benjamin Luxon, bass)
9.05 Shakespeare's Sonnets: Read by Simon Callow
9.20 Violin and Piano: Tasmin Little and Martin Roscoe play Bach (Violin Sonata in E, BWV 1016); Franck (Violin Sonata in A); Prokofiev (Violin Sonata No 2, Op 94a); Ravel (Tzigane) (r)
10.45 Night Waves: Michele Roberts and guests discuss aspects of blasphemy and art
11.30-12.30am Haydn and Françaix: Ulster Orchestra under En Shao performs Haydn (Overture, La fedelta Primiata); Françaix (Piano Concerto); Haydn (Symphony No 86 in D)

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping **6.00** News Briefing; Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day **6.30** Today, incl **6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **6.55, 7.55** Weather **7.25, 8.25** Sports News **7.45** Thought for the Day **8.40** The Diary of Adam and Eve **8.58** Weather
9.00 News 9.05 Call Nick Ross
10.00-10.30 News; Visiting Angel (FM only): Mary Stewart continues her journey from Alaska to Tierra del Fuego
10.00 News; Daily Service (LW) **10.15 The Bible** (LW): The Letters of Paul — Galatians to Thessalonians (r)
10.30 Woman's Hour: Chris Chambers meets Fishermen's Friends. Incl **11.00 News**
11.30 All in the Mind, with Professor Anthony Clare
12.00 News; You and Yours
12.25pm Quote . . . Unquote: Nigel Rees hosts the quotation game **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World at One
1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55** Shipping
2.00 News; Thirty Minute Theatre: Here Comes Jo. See Choice
2.30 Comparing Notes: Richard Baker talks to Humphrey Carpenter and Carole Rosen, who have written biographies of Benjamin Britten and the Goossens family respectively
3.00-5.00 Test Match Special (LW only): West Indies v England
3.00 News; Anderson Country (FM only)
4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope (FM only) reviews John Godber's *Passion Killers* at the new Hull Truck Theatre
4.45 Short Story (FM only): Red Roses for a Blue Lady, by Christine Harrison (r)
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
5.55-10.05 Test Match Special (LW only): Continued coverage of West Indies v England from the Kensington Oval in Barbados
6.00 Six O'Clock News (FM only)
6.30 The Board Game (FM only): Nigel Cassidy chairs the executive quiz. The panellists are Peter Day, Howard Hodgson, Alastair Ross Goobey and Janette Rutterford
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers (FM only)
7.20 Crimes of Our Times (FM only): See Choice
8.00 Science Now (FM only)
8.30 Cult Classics (FM only): Authors such as Aldous Huxley, Ken Kesey, Carlos Castaneda and Hunter S. Thompson have all written about the mind-altering affects of drugs (r)
9.00 In Touch (FM only): For people with a visual handicap
9.30 Kaleidoscope (FM only) (r) **9.59** Weather
10.00 The World Tonight
10.45 Book at Bedtime: Uncle Fred in the Springtime, by P.G. Wodehouse. Read by Crawford Logan
11.00 Mediumwave (r) **11.30 Today in Parliament** (LW)
11.30 Four Corners (FM only): Mega Cities (r)
12.00-12.43am News, incl **12.27** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

Crimes of Our Times. *Radio 4, 7.20pm.*
Margaret Percy's four-part investigation into the fraud boom in an increasingly high-tech world gets off to a humdinger of a start. She is there, on the spot, when the police pounce on the snatchers of chequebooks and the passers of counterfeit credit cards. And as if that was not sufficient commitment to the cause of radio journalism, she ups with her microphone and chats with the suspects while the long arms of the law are still reaching for the handcuffs we subsequently hear being clicked into action. In next week's programme, it is Margaret Percy and the insurance fraudsters.

Here Comes Jo. *Radio 4, 2.00pm.*
In writing her play about a brain-damaged boy, Barbara Lacey replicates aspects of her family's difficult readjustments when her own son was injured in a cycling accident. Inevitably, this is highly emotional stuff and — given the play's essentially optimistic resolution — inspiring, too. Lacey's eye for detail (noses, a drooping flower in a painting) is everywhere reflected in the observations of her *alter ego*, played by June Barrie. **Peter Davalle**



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SKY ONE

6.00am DJ Kat Show (51724270) **8.45** Cartoons (8744164) **9.30** Card Sharks (5611980) **9.55** Concentration (5636299) **10.25** Dynamo Duck (2256928) **10.30** The Urban Peasant (17909) **11.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (64454) **12.00** Paradise Beach (31589) **12.30pm** E Street (41454) **1.00** Barnaby Jones (46909) **2.00** Lace (47299) **3.00** Another World (8402947) **3.50** DJ Kat Show (9206386) **5.00** Star Trek (9096) **6.00** Paradise Beach (5909) **6.30** E Street (8589) **7.00** Commercial Break (8025) **7.30** M*A*S*H (8473) **8.00** Dieppe. First of a two-part mini-series (78522) **10.00** Star Trek (97657) **11.00** The Untouchables (85947) **12.00** The Streets of San Francisco (85690) **1.00am** Night Court (85139) **1.30-2.00** Totally Hidden Video (29684)

SKY NEWS

6.00am Sunrise (71305) **9.30** ABC Nightline (50980) **10.30** Beyond 2000 (42473) **11.30** Japan Business Today (82893) **12.30pm** News and Business (53589) **1.30** CBS News (54218) **2.30** Parliament Live (40305) **4.30** News and Business Report (5386) **5.00** Live at Five (418164) **7.30** Target (6015) **9.30** Talkback (52560) **11.30** CBS News (38928) **12.30am** ABC News (40665) **1.30** Target (18565) **2.30** Beyond 2000 (67771) **3.30** Talkback (42416) **4.30** Target (47868) **5.30-6.00** CBS News (88684)

SKY MOVIES

6.00am Showcase (2078378)
10.00 The Accidental Golfer (1991): Comedy about a golfing fanatic (45270)
12.00 Nobody's Perfect (1968): Comedy about American submariners (44102)
2.00pm Sinbad and the Eye of the Tiger (1977): Swashbuckling fantasy (690638)
3.55 Funny Lady (1975): Sequel to *Funny Girl* with Barbra Streisand (28607393)
6.10 The Accidental Golfer (as 10am) (63485034)
8.00 Timescape: The Grand Tour (1992): Jeff Daniels travels back in time to prevent a meteorite from killing his daughter (62378)
10.00 New Jack City (1991). A drugs baron turns a New York tenement block into a fortified city. With Wesley Snipes (737270)
11.45 By the Sword (1991): The past catches up with a fencing champion in the shape of a dead adversary's son (849034)
1.20am Complex of Fear (1993): A rapist stalks an apartment block (3663874)
2.50 The Joy of Sex (1984): A teenager lives life to the full in the belief that she has terminal cancer. Adult comedy (909503)
4.25 Nobody's Perfect (as 12 noon) (671348). Ends at **6.00**

SKY MOVIES GOLD

6.00pm All the King's Men (1949, b/w): Powerful examination of how political ambition inevitably corrupts (53251)
8.00 The World According to Garp (1982): Adaptation of John Irving's rites-of-passage novel. With Robin Williams (86400021)
10.15 Police Academy (1984): New recruits indulge in schoolboy pranks. Stars Steve Guttenberg (547744). Ends at **11.50**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

6.00am Teacher's Pet (1958): Comedy with Doris Day and Clark Gable (80725)
8.00 Dunderklumpen (1973): Animation and live action (29893)
10.00 Vincent and Me (1990): Art fraud drama with Nina Petronzio (43812)
12.00 The Buster Keaton Story (1957): Biopic of the great comic star (42744)
2.00pm The Daughter of Rosie O'Grady (1950): Life in vaudeville (79251)
4.05 Dunderklumpen (as 8am) (5270)
6.00 Shattered Family (1993): The true story of an abused boy's legal fight to stay with the family who befriends him (99015)
8.00 Mother of the Bride (1992): The first and second husbands of Rue McClanahan vie for her affections (94560)
10.00 Past Midnight (1992): Social worker Natasha Richardson falls for paroled murderer Rutger Hauer (735812)
11.45 Omen IV — The Awakening (1991): Faye Grant's and Michael York's adopted daughter is a servant of the devil (567893)
1.25am Phantom of the Paradise (1974): Rock opera update of the *Phantom of the Opera* directed by Brian DePalma (302810)
3.00 Ultraviolet (1991): Young hikers are terrorised by a gunman (4112145)
4.20 Shattered Family (as 6pm) (7383315) Ends at **5.50**

SKY SPORTS

7.00am Prime Bodies (18299) **7.30** Soccer (9400928) **7.45** WWF Superstars (2162928) **8.30** Basketball (13580) **9.00** Prime Bodies (20580) **9.30** Basketball (61763) **11.30** Football: Blackburn Rovers v Aston Villa (17270) **1.30pm** PFA Annual Awards Dinner (71299) **3.00** Cricket: West Indies v England (79900675) **5.15** Soccer (8487560) **5.30** Cricket (as 3pm) (7008034) **10.30** Soccer (123947) **10.45** The Footballers' Show (943102) **11.45** Get Your Handicap Down (176183) **12.15-2.15am** Nascar (377435)

EUROSPORT

7.30am Step Aerobics (15102) **8.00** Figure Skating (63251) **10.00** Aerobics (11386) **11.00** Snowmobile (91522) **12.00** Football (31164) **1.00pm** Rally (95198) **1.30** Athletics (45102) **3.30** Eurofun (8251) **4.00** Ice Hockey (97367) **5.30** Football (46454) **6.30** News (8015) **7.00** Football (32638) **8.30** Rally (7034) **9.00** Boxing (32744) **10.00** Snooker (30201) **12.00** News (25139)

UK GOLD

7.00am The Sullivans (1797980) **7.30** Neighbours (4048725) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (4054744) **8.30** EastEnders (7469742) **9.00** The Bill (2252218) **9.30** Jemima Shore Investigates (8768541) **10.30** Wings (9182015) **11.30** The Sullivans (3688270) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (2232454) **12.30pm** Neighbours (3835638) **1.00** EastEnders (1796251) **1.30** The Bill (3834909) **2.00** Shelley (4313541) **2.30** Brush Strokes (5619836) **3.00** Knots Landing (4612015) **4.00** Dynasty (9140251) **5.00** Every Second Counts (3383812) **5.40** The Goodies (77276386) **5.55** Sykes (2369034) **6.30** EastEnders (1095855) **7.00** The Growing Pains of Adrian Mole (4324657) **7.30** Brush Strokes (5695819) **8.00** Shelley (4333305) **8.30** The Growing Pains of PC Penrose (9353676) **9.05** Callan (8829164) **10.00** The Bill (2233183) **10.30** Carrott's Lib (2229021) **11.10** The Kenny Everett Television Show (7912744) **11.50** Dr Who (6029305) **12.20am** FILM: Morning Glory (1933, b/w): Katharine Hepburn as a stagestruck girl making it to the big time (98760042) **1.35** Video Bites (86617923) **2.00** Shopping at Night (2403706)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL

6.00am RatKan II (80725) **6.30** Baber (80015) **7.00** Paddy (6830473) **7.15** Tic Tac Toons (722251) **7.45** Beverly Hills Teens (4901182) **8.10** Head to Head (5339928) **8.15** You Can't Do That on Television (217378) **8.45** Pastagums (7291589) **9.00** It's Droibee Time (79473) **10.00** Nellie the Elephant (19015) **11.00** RatKan II (58947) **11.30** Baber (50676) **12.00** Paddy (5982102) **12.15pm** Tic Tac Toons (360560) **12.45** Beverly Hills Teens (6844676) **1.10** Head to Head (29485947) **1.15** You Can't Do That on Television (366744) **1.45** Pastagums (64538725) **2.00** Barney and Friends (2367) **2.30** Blinky Bill (3198) **3.00** RatKan II (4102) **3.30** Casper and Friends (5524096) **3.55** Head to Head (3074473) **4.00** Beakman's World (4218) **4.30** Saved by the Bell (3102)

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Graham prepares for test of patience

BY ROB HUGHES
FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

ARSENAL are closer today to the nation's heart than at any time since Herbert Chapman's team supplied seven of the England side against Italy in the "Battle of Highbury" in 1934.

The irony is that, as George Graham's team prepares to make the last stand by a British club in this season's European competitions, the latest England squad has just been announced without a single Arsenal name in it, which speaks volumes for the co-operation between the Highbury club and the rulers of Lancaster Gate.

The administrators of the FA Carling Premiership agreed wholeheartedly to postpone Arsenal's match against Wimbledon last Saturday to ensure that the players were ready for the second leg of the European Cup-Winners' Cup semi-final second leg tonight against Paris Saint-Germain. The first leg ended 1-1.

For England's part, Terry Venables agreed to refrain from calling on Arsenal players for his gathering at Bisham Abbey on April 20, because of the need to play the rearranged game with Wimbledon.

It is therefore incumbent on Arsenal to reach the final and, to do that, they have to overcome the French champions-elect. Paris Saint-Germain will be anything but pushovers; Graham knew that even before the exhilarating encounter in Paris and even before the French were able to announce that Alain Roche, the central defender who missed the first game with a calf injury, is fit for tonight.

Arsenal, too, envisage one change, the return of David Hillier, recovered from the imprint of the studs of Andrea Silenzi after the unsavoury last round in Europe against Torino. Hillier would replace Ian Selley, one of seven players who stand a yellow card away from suspension. The referee, who will be important, is the Dane, Peter Mikkelsen. At 33, he is fit enough to keep up with any pace and well known to John Jensen, the Denmark and Arsenal midfield player, as a strict but fair arbiter.

If the match is anything like as enterprising as the first leg, there will be no complaints from anyone. Paris Saint-Germain come determined to be only the third French club in 14 encounters to eliminate an English team from Europe: the previous two were Lyons, who beat Tottenham Hotspur in 1968, and

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T Flowers (Blackburn Rovers), A Colon (Manchester City); R Jones (Liverpool), P Parker (Manchester United), G Pallister (Manchester United), R Jobson (Oldham Athletic), N Ruddock (Liverpool), D Walker (Sheffield Wednesday), S Pearce (Nottingham Forest), G Le Saux (Blackburn Rovers), D Anderton (Tottenham Hotspur), R Lee (Newcastle United), D Batty (Blackburn Rovers), P Ince (Manchester United), J Redknapp (Liverpool), C Bart-Williams (Sheffield Wednesday), D Wise (Chelsea), M Le Tissier (Southampton), J Wilcox (Blackburn Rovers), A Shearer (Blackburn Rovers), P Beardsley (Newcastle United), C Sutton (Norwich), A Cole (Newcastle United), L Ferdinand (Queens Park Rangers).

Bastia, who knocked out Newcastle United in 1978.

Saint-Germain, surprisingly, lost their seven-month unbeaten record by the heavy score of 3-0 at Nantes a week ago, but they travel unafraid after winning each of their European ties away from home this season. George Weah, the Liberian striker, scoring the only goal in the last round at Real Madrid.

However, it is the left-winger, David Ginola, who is expected to catch the eye. Graham says of him: "He's one of the best I've seen in Europe this season, I just hope the referee doesn't fall for his theatrical dives. Anyway, Ginola doesn't need to do it."

Graham's prophecy, his warning if you like, is that the spectators will have to stay patient while Arsenal go about their business: "We are wiser, more experienced than when we lost a couple of years ago in this situation to Benfica, but everyone has to realise that for the good of English football, we may have to play a different game from the gung ho style in our league."

Terry Venables continues to demonstrate that, as coach to England, he is looking for players who can appreciate rather more than the "direct" English game. In a squad chosen for merely training purposes following England's correct withdrawal from the proposed match against Germany in Berlin on Hitler's birthday, Venables has revealed his thinking with some of the new names of his choice.

At the back, there are Richard Jobson, of Oldham Athletic, who impressed in Sunday's FA Cup semi-final against Manchester United, and Neil Ruddock, whom Venables tamed at Tottenham Hotspur and whose powerful left foot may prove of greater value than was his bully-boy act under Graeme Souness at Liverpool.

Another Liverpool man, Jamie Redknapp, a midfield schemer, is one of four younger players promoted. The strikers, Chris Sutton and Andy Cole, of Norwich City and Newcastle United respectively, were obvious choices, but Chris Bart-Williams, the Sierra Leone-born forward from Sheffield Wednesday, makes a meteoric leap to the senior international ranks.

Dennis Wise, the Chelsea midfield player, has another opportunity, under new management, to prove that he can use his head as well as his right foot: Robert Lee is there to justify the faith of the Newcastle United manager, Kevin Keegan, in him and Jason Wilcox is one of four Blackburn Rovers players released from his club to make the most of England training.

That training, Venables promises the clubs, will not be too hard at this "delicate" stage of the season.

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McGinlay likely to make debut

Brown makes continuity top priority

BY KEVIN MCCARRA

IN NAMING his party for the friendly against Austria in Vienna on April 20, Craig Brown, the national coach, maintained his attempt to turn the Scotland squad into the footballing equivalent of a maximium security wing.

The players may not be forming an escape committee, but they are incarcerated all the same. The 19-man pool announced yesterday had all been in the squad for last month's 1-0 defeat by Holland.

Brown has trimmed his squad rather than altered it, with Scott Booth, Craig Levein, Andy Goram and Ally McCoist omitted because of doubts over their fitness. The coach readily admits to a craving for continuity. It is a natural response to the havoc of recent years, when Andy Roxburgh's selections were regularly wrecked by withdrawals.

At that point, there was good reason to believe that any premier division player with a sturdy body and a patient diposition was eventually bound to win a cap. Nowadays, regulations from Fifa, the game's world governing body, ensure that clubs can no longer remove players for frivolous reasons.

Brown wallows in these fresh circumstances. "I told the 23 players last month that they were going to have to play their way out of the squad," he said. "This is the nucleus of the group we will take into the European championship qualifiers."

No Scotland coach, however, can ever be allowed to remain serene for long and Brown must provide reassurance that stability within his pool of players will not slither into stagnation.

With that in mind, he intends a change of emphasis in Vienna, experimenting with younger players, such as Billy McKinlay and Phil O'Donnell, as well Eoin Jess. The Aberdeen striker occupies a delicate position in a squad that rarely devises a goal. He was a deft substitute in the match with Holland, but has been nondescript with his club for much of the season.

Brown, though, sounded intent on installing Jess in the national team: "I believe that a change of environment can help overcome any problems he has with goal-scoring or his general form.

"We often say that a transfer gives a player a lift and I hope that transferring jerseys will have the same effect. Only if Jess doesn't do it for the national team will we have cause for concern."

The Scotland coach has

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B Gunn (Norwich City), J Leighton (Hibernian); S McKimmie (Aberdeen), C Handcy (Blackburn Rovers), A McLaren (Heart of Midlothian), B Irvine (Aberdeen), T Boyd (Celtic), D Robertson (Rangers), I Ferguson (Rangers), S McCall (Rangers), G McAllister (Leeds United), P McStay (Celtic), W McKinlay (Dundee United), J Collins (Celtic), P O'Donnell (Motherwell), P Nevin (Tranmere Rovers), G Durie (Rangers), E Jess (Aberdeen), J McGinlay (Bolton Wanderers).

recently become embroiled in debate over the three-at-the-back system that he favours over the traditional flat-back-four prevalent in Britain. Brown rightly points out that most nations, particularly the successful ones, have a sweeper on the payroll.

All the same, the practice of tactics is more relevant than the theory and Scotland have still to prove that can operate the system with verve. In consequence, Brown hopes to have the services of a man with a reputation for manufacturing frequent goalmouth incident. John McGinlay, of Bolton Wanderers, joined the squad last month despite suffering with a virus but ruined his chances of a debut against Holland by worsening his condition through an insistence on taking part in training while unwell.

The enthusiasm, if not the wisdom, of this impressed Brown and McGinlay is bound to be deployed in Vienna. The national coach said of the 29-year-old: "John is a scorer and he is also bright and a bustler." The preference for McGinlay ensures that there is no place for Duncan Shearer, the former Swindon Town and Blackburn Rovers forward who is top-scoring Scot in the premier division, hitting 25 goals for Aberdeen this season.

Brown speaks warmly of the forward but is still reluctant to pay him the tangible compliment of an international cap. The Scotland squad may become as difficult to enter as it is to leave.

□ Bayern Munich, the German league leaders, are expected to announce today whether they have clinched a deal to sign Jean-Pierre Papin, the French striker, from AC Milan. Bayern's board met yesterday to discuss the possible transfer of the former Marseilles forward who has become frustrated at Milan, where he has struggled to secure a regular first-team place.

"The board is meeting today. We hope to be able to say more about Papin and other matters on Tuesday," a club spokesman said. Papin is reported to have reached a deal with Bayern, who look set to clinch a record thirteenth league title this season and a place in next season's European Cup. The Bayern board was expected to clear up the financial details of the deal on Monday. Papin cost Milan £5.6 million when he signed from Marseille in mid-1992, but has said he believes they would be prepared to sell him for £2.3 million.

COLIN JACK



Charlotte Bronks, left, with her captain, Gill Burns, alongside, shows her delight as England take control against Russia yesterday

United States make fine start

THE opening rounds of the women's rugby world championship produced big scores yesterday. The highest margin of victory was achieved by the United States, who crushed Sweden 111-0 at Galashiels (Alan Lorimer writes).

The Americans, winners of the World Cup in Wales three years ago, are joint-favourites with England to take the championship. England established their credentials with a 66-0 win over Russia at Meggetland.

England showed handling skills of a high standard, ignoring the kicking game and playing entertaining rugby.

The exciting England midfield combination ran in ten tries against a Russia side that looked unconditioned and unable to compete at this level.

Particularly impressive for England were Helen Harding, the scrum half, whose passing off either hand was accurate and fast, and Claire Vyvyan and Jacquie Edwards, the centres, who were constantly involved in attacking moves.

Val Blackett and Annie Cole, the wing, and Gill Burns, the No 8 and captain, scored two tries each. England's other touchdowns came from Jacqui Edwards, Nicola Ponsford, Kathy Genn and Sarah Wenn. Deidre Mills, the stand-off half, kicked five conversions and two penalty goals.

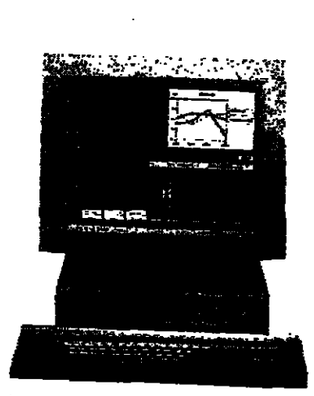
At Raeburn Place, Wales defeated Canada 11-5. Bethan Jones-Evans, the hooker, scored a try. The other Wales points came from the stand-off half, Amanda Bennet, with a penalty and dropped goal. For Canada, Lynne Leclair, the wing, used her sprint speed to score a try.

France enjoyed a 77-0 victory over Scottish Universities, who have taken the place of Holland, at the West of Scotland ground.

RESULTS: Pool A (at Melrose): United States 111 Sweden 0. Pool B (Boroughmuir): England 66 Russia 0. Pool C (West of Scotland): France 70 Scottish Students 0. Pool D (Edinburgh Academicals): Wales 11 Canada 5.

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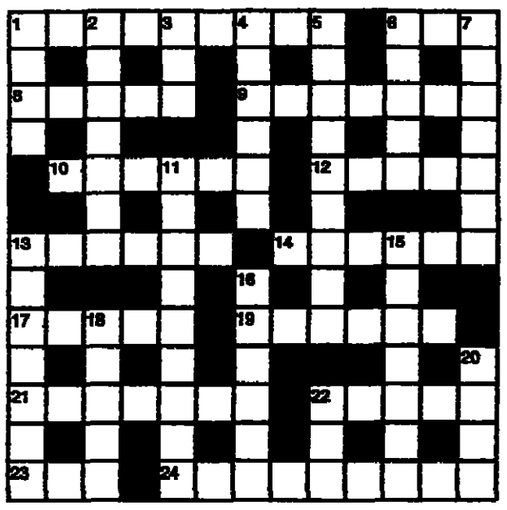


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12 Performer (5)
13 Long, thin stripe (6)
14 Doctrinal split (6)
17 Portuguese possession in China (5)
19 Difficult to discipline (6)
21 Stuff, gorge (7)
22 Look after (patient) (5)
23 Take (exam) (3)
24 Congenital skin blemish (9)

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3 Nature god (3)
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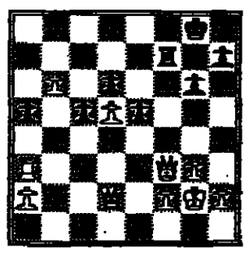
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By Raymond Keene

Today's position is from the game Nemet - Hendriks, Dieren 1988. White's passed pawn on b6 is the key to this position. How does he engineer its advance?



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By Philip Howard

VAPULATION
a. Sweating profusely
b. An Anglo-Norman measure of land
c. Flogging

YLANG-YLANG
a. A perfume tree
b. A Malaysian rickshaw
c. Thonged shoes

APORIA
a. A skin disease
b. Not knowing where to begin
c. A harbour jetty

BELLIBONE
a. Wall of the lower intestine
b. A tenor bell
c. A pretty woman

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